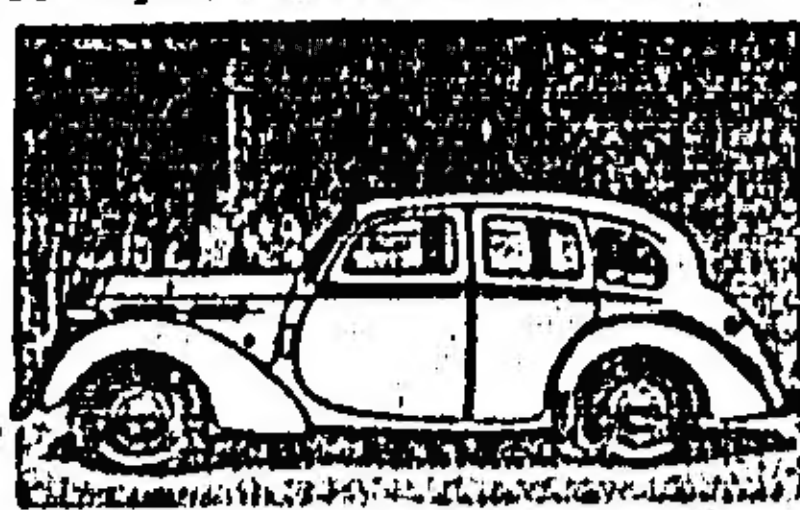


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### LABOUR DEMANDS IMMEDIATE RECALL OF PARLIAMENT TO DISCUSS CRISIS

## Europe Fears New Coups

WASHINGTON, APR. 8.

MILITARY OFFICIALS HERE BELIEVE THAT GERMANY WILL  
INVADE DANZIG AND THE POLISH CORRIDOR BEFORE APRIL  
15 WHEN EUROPE WILL BE FACED WITH IMMINENT WAR.

Officials believe that Germany's march to Danzig and the Corridor  
is a matter of "when" rather than "if."

These officials also believe that Germany will simultaneously  
attempt to occupy part or all of Silesia, in view of the likelihood that  
Poland will resist encroachment on Danzig and the Corridor.

### ALBANIA A PRELUDE

Diplomatic, military and naval officials regard the Italian invasion of  
Albania as a prelude to a larger military operation by the Totalitarian States.  
Albania appears to be a diversion, possibly intended to frighten Bulgaria, Yugo-  
Slavia, Hungary and Rumania from joining the "Stop Hitler Bloc."—United Press.

### TROOP MOVEMENTS

BERLIN, Apr. 8.

Reliable circles report small scale troop movements  
in East Prussia and say that the garrisons on the Polish  
border are also being strengthened.

However, there is no evidence of large concentrations  
which would be required if Germany planned to enter  
Poland.—United Press.

### CHAMBERLAIN FOR LONDON

ABERDEEN, Apr. 8.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain entrained for London at  
7.35 p.m. to-day.—United Press.

LONDON, Apr. 8.

Fearing that a further advance of the Axis to  
the south will endanger Britain's communications with  
India and the outlying British Empire generally, eleven  
Cabinet ministers are meeting at noon to-day on the  
advice of the four Defence Ministers.

The latter are reported to  
favour a public announcement  
that Britain will fight to defend  
the independence of Greece and  
Turkey.

It is understood that what amounts  
to a recommendation in this sense is  
awaiting Mr. Chamberlain's full  
Cabinet verdict, followed by an  
enquiry from the Greek Minister to  
London as to British intentions.

Mr. Chamberlain has found the  
European situation so grave that he  
has decided to interrupt his vacation  
to confer with his Ministers.

### Parliament Recall

After the Cabinet meeting to  
consider the occupation of Albania  
and the reported German troop  
movements, Labour leaders will  
demand an immediate recall of  
Parliament.

Mr. Chamberlain is scheduled to  
return early this morning and it is  
believed that his return indicates a  
ministerial conference on Easter  
Sunday, which is extremely rare.

Reports reaching Paris say that  
four Russian destroyers have entered  
the Eastern Mediterranean through  
the Dardanelles, implying that they  
obtained Turkish permission after  
three divisions of the Italian fleet  
have concentrated at the Italian  
Island of Dodecanese.

Unconfirmed British reports say  
that the Cabinet consider an  
immediate British guarantee of  
security to Greece advisable.

The flight of King Zog from  
Albania has been interpreted as an  
indication that effective Albanian  
resistance has collapsed.—United  
Press.

### Diplomatic Activity

London, Apr. 8.

There was considerable diplomatic  
activity in London throughout Sun-  
day.

This morning, Viscount Halifax  
conversations with the Greek Minis-  
ter, M. Simopoulos. Mr. Neville  
Chamberlain and M. Georges Corbin,  
the French Ambassador.

In the afternoon Viscount Halifax,  
accompanied by Sir Alexander  
Cadogan, visited the offices of the  
Committee for Imperial Defence,  
where they had a conference with  
Viscount Gort, Chief of Staff, and  
Vice-Admiral Cunningham, deputy  
Chief of Naval Staff.—Reuter.

### Yugo-Slavia Prepares

Belgrade, Apr. 8.  
Yugo-Slavia has strengthened the  
posts on the Albanian border and has  
called up a small number of the re-  
serve of officers.

However, well informed circles ex-  
plained that these measures are  
normal under the circumstances.—  
United Press.

### Paris Activity

Paris, Apr. 8.  
The permanent Committee for  
National Defence met this afternoon  
at the War Ministry under the presi-  
dency of M. Edouard Daladier.

The meeting was attended by M.  
Georges Bonnet, General Gamelin,  
Chief of Staff, M. Camille, Minis-  
ter for War, M. Guy Lachambre,  
Minister for Air, Vice-Admiral  
Darlan, Chief of Naval General Staff,  
and General Vuillemin, Chief of Air  
General Staff.—Reuter.

### Istanbul Parleys

Istanbul, Apr. 8.  
M. Gafencu, the Rumanian Foreign  
Minister, left for Bucharest to-day.

Reports reaching Paris say that  
at the talks with Mr. Saragolli, the  
Turkish Foreign Minister states that  
the "two countries agreed to pursue  
the policy of the Balkan Entente,  
aiming at strengthening the security  
and independence of friendly and  
allied countries, and also at tighten-  
ing links with neighbouring peoples  
in conformity with the spirit of the  
Salonica Pact of July, 1938 between  
Bulgaria and the Balkan Entente  
States, providing for a friendly settle-  
ment of all differences through  
negotiations, and renouncing all re-  
course to force."—Reuter.

### Swedish Indecision

Stockholm, Apr. 8.

"The risks of a policy of collabora-  
tion with Powers other than those  
of the North are too great, and the  
guarantees too uncertain," declared M.  
Skoeld, the Swedish Defence Minis-  
ter in a speech to-day.

He added: "Neutrality is the  
natural attitude for our country."  
M. Skoeld emphasised the need for  
calm at the present, and declared  
that the chances of success in defence  
against possible aggression were just  
as great as risks of failure.

In conclusion he dwelt on the  
strength of Sweden's defence.—  
Reuter.



HERR HITLER'S TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO MEMEL.—The German dictator landed in  
Memel from the German battleship Deutschland and made a triumphant entry into the city. This is the  
first photograph of this historic event published in Hongkong. Air Mail from Associated Press. Copyright.

## Albanian Resistance Ends: King Zog Seeks Sanctuary In Greece

FLORINA, Apr. 8.

KING ZOG, fleeing from Albania, has joined his wife and son as  
the legions of Italy marched to Tirana, realising that defence was  
useless.

## Albania As "Mandate" Italian Assurances To Great Britain

ROME, Apr. 9.

LORD PERTH, British Am-  
bassador to Rome, this after-  
noon called on Count Ciano for  
information on the events in  
Albania, and he gathered a full  
explanation from him.

No further details are available.  
The fact that a purely Albanian  
administrative committee has been  
established in Tirana to run the  
country is regarded as tending to  
show that there is, as yet, no intention  
of proclaiming Albania as an integral  
part of the Italian empire.

Such reports are described in  
official circles as tendentious and  
wholly without foundation.

### Gayda's Threat

Unofficial circles believe that no  
decision will be taken for some time  
until a clear idea is available of the  
reaction of Britain, France, and the  
world generally towards the occupa-  
tion of Albania.

M. Gayda, writing in "Voce  
d'Italia", declares that if Britain  
chooses to consider Italy's action a  
breach of the Anglo-Italian agree-  
ment, she is free to do so, and Italy  
would adapt her future attitude to  
such a position.

This is taken to mean that  
denunciation of the agreement by  
Britain might lead to an immediate  
proclamation of Albania as Italian  
territory.

At the moment it looks as if Italy  
will proclaim Albania as mandated  
territory, and all ideas of conquest  
would be ridiculed.—Reuter.

### Disquieting Rumours

London, Apr. 9.  
Viscount Halifax to-day saw the  
Italian Charge d'Affaires Signor  
Crispien, who, it is understood, gave  
categorical assurances with regard to  
the limited character of the Italian  
action in Albania.

A number of disquieting rumours  
(Continued on Page 4.)

King Zog left the capital at night after leading his  
troops and volunteers in a bitter fight on the Durazzo  
front. On foreign soil the King hoped to enlist the aid  
of the great powers and direct guerilla operations against  
the Italians.

Previous to King Zog's arrival,  
the Queen appealed to the world  
to aid the stricken country.

It is said that King Zog personally  
rejected the appeal yesterday to sub-  
mit peacefully to the Italian occupa-  
tion, whereby he would retain his  
throne.

The King's grandmother, Countess  
Destrelle Deena, delivered a message  
through "United Press", saying, "The  
world must do something for Albania.  
Its brave people will resist to the  
end."

King Zog arrived in the early  
afternoon with a cortege of 10 au-  
tomobiles and two trucks. He appeared  
to be weary and worn but immedi-  
ately joined Queen Geraldine and the  
baby in an emotional scene.—United  
Press.

### Ciano's Speech

Tirana, Apr. 8.  
Count Ciano, in his first speech to  
the Albanian people, addressed a de-  
legation of notables at the air field.

He said, "It is the Duce's intention  
to give the people of Albania order,  
well-being and progress within the  
framework of their National Life."  
"The Duce has arrived by airplane.  
He will inspect the expeditionary  
forces and address the Albanian  
people. He is also expected to fly  
to Scutari and other important towns  
to see how the occupation has been  
carried out.—United Press.

### "Provisional Government" Planned At Tirana

Tirana, Apr. 9.  
It is understood that following the  
entry of Italian troops into the capital,  
influential citizens will "co-operate"  
with the Italian military authorities  
in forming a "provisional government"  
at Tirana.

Meanwhile, continuing their ad-  
vance inland, the southern column of  
Italian forces reached Elbasan, 25  
miles south of Tirana on Saturday  
morning, while the northern column  
reached the Yugoslav-Albania border  
at 3.00 p.m.—Domel.

### King Zog, Deposited

Rome, Apr. 9.  
The Italian Government announced  
that with the occupation of Albania  
by Italian forces, King Zog I is re-

### LATEST

## Chinese Converge On Canton

After considerable successes in  
recovering a number of places in  
their long-heralded counter-attack on  
Canton during the week-end the  
Chinese forces in Kwangtung are now  
attacking several strategic towns in  
the outer defence line of the  
Japanese-occupied provincial capital.

The Chinese vanguards are con-  
verging on Canton in three directions.  
On the East River front, fighting  
is now raging at Mount Cha, on the  
outskirts of Sheklung, the Canton-  
Kowloon railway town on the  
southern bank of the river, while  
the main body of the counter-attack-  
ing Chinese on the northern bank of  
the river are storming the city of  
Tseungching, 45 miles east of Canton.  
According to the Ta Kung Pao.

About 25 miles north of Canton  
another Chinese column of regulars  
under the personal command of  
General Chang Fa-kwal, the well-  
known Iron-side General, have sur-  
rounded the Japanese positions in  
Kolung. Guerilla warfare against  
the Japanese is spreading like wild  
fire in the area with the arrival of  
the Chinese divisions.

Co-ordinating with the counter-  
offensive of the land forces a  
squadron of Chinese planes systemat-  
ically raided Kolung yesterday,  
demolishing Japanese defence works  
in the northern outskirts.

Bitter dog-fights took place with  
a number of Japanese machines  
during the Chinese air raids.

On the West River front it is  
reported that Kowkong, 12 miles  
south-west of Fatsien, was recaptured  
by the Chinese yesterday after-  
noon.

See Back Page For  
Further Late News

## Archbishop Of Canterbury

### "Excommunicated" By Nazi Church Leaders

BERLIN, Apr. 9.

"severed relations" with the Arch-  
bishop of Canterbury.

They accuse him of "anti-Nazi  
agitations and Bolshevik tendencies,"  
announces a statement published in  
the official Church Gazette, signed by  
Dr. Werner, President of the  
Supreme Council of the Evangelical  
Church in Germany.

The statement raves that, according  
to newspaper reports, the Archbishop  
had declared himself in favour of co-  
operation between Great Britain and  
Soviet Russia, and that he had tried  
to form a united front of all Christian  
churches under the leadership of the  
Pope against the so-called German  
menace.—Reuter Special.

## Portuguese Steamers Detained

THE JAPANESE  
Navy has detained eleven  
Portuguese coastal steamers  
during the past week or so,  
it is authoritatively re-  
vealed.

The "United Press" in Hong-  
kong was informed on Saturday  
that three Don Line steamers,  
the Don Pedro, Don Joao and  
Don Luis had been detained off  
the North China coast.

All the ships are registered in  
Shanghai where, it is understood,  
the matter is being referred to the  
Portuguese Consul.

Further investigations revealed that  
a total of eleven Portuguese ships  
have been detained by the Japanese  
and are now concentrated at Woo-  
sung.

### Smuggling Charge

The "United Press" in Shanghai  
confirms these reports. They report  
officially that six Portuguese ships  
are at present detained at Woo-sung.  
They were diverted when en route  
to Wenchow, and the Japanese have  
apparently charged them with smug-  
gling.

The Portuguese Consul in Shang-  
hai is said to be planning a protest  
to the Japanese, pending completion  
of investigations.

Five other Portuguese ships,  
according to Shanghai reports, were  
temporarily detained and were re-  
leased later when it was ascertained  
that they were sailing for ports to  
which the Japanese did not object.

## P. I. TRAIN SMASH

Manila, Apr. 10.

Yesterday afternoon the  
Iloos Express bound for Manila  
collided with a northbound  
freight train in Pangasinan  
province at the town of Poponto.

The baggage car of the Express  
was damaged and more than twenty  
passengers were injured, mainly  
Easter vacationists returning from  
Baguio.

None are reported killed so far,  
but it is feared that a few are very  
seriously injured. Some of the  
passengers were picked up un-  
conscious.

Carlos Estrella and Macario  
Estrella, two brothers, who were  
engineers of the Express and freight  
train respectively, are reported to be  
badly hurt.

It was reported that the impact  
was so terrific that the engine of the  
Express crashed over the freight  
engine and came to rest on top of  
the latter.—United Press.

H.M.S. Cicala arrives from Canton  
this morning.



## Thousands Fail To Qualify As Drivers

LONDON.—Until a few years ago anyone who wanted to drive a motor car might do so—at least as far as getting a licence to drive one was concerned. In actual fact deaf men, dumb men and half-blind men, men subject to epileptic fits and all sorts of unfit people got licences merely by payment of the fee.

To-day it is different, and since June, 1935, no one is granted a licence unless he or she is passed by examiners who put the would-be driver through his paces on the road and in all sorts of conditions of road traffic and weather. While in the probationary stage the candidate must not attempt to drive unless he has a skilled driver in the car with him, until he graduates he must bear on the front and back of the car a prescribed sign "L" (learner) in black on a white ground.

And now arises again the old controversy—Do women or men make the better drivers? Just published figures go to show, men make better drivers than do women.

### FAILURE PERCENTAGES

In 1938, the Ministry of Transport examiners passed 52,500 women and failed 30,039; 41 per cent. of failures. The percentage of failures among men was 34. In that year the total number of men and women who were successful was 205,000; of failures, 155,000. From June, 1935, and up to the end of December, 1938, 914,349 men and women passed; 308,237 failed.

It is said that among the main causes of so many failures, especially among women, were lack of due care when entering major roads, inability to judge distances, hand signals badly given or not given at all, failure to keep up with traffic streams, thus causing unnecessary obstruction, and general lack of knowledge of the highway code.

The uncertainty of our law of libel has for years been a cause of complaint, and at very long last an attempt is to be made to remedy some of the mischief. That is to say, a "Bill to Amend the Law relating to Libel and Slander" has been tabled in the House of Commons, which, of course, may be a very different thing from getting it through Parliament and into the law.

Among other things, it is designed to relieve authors from liability in some cases. As the law at present stands, an author may, as he believes, invent a character's name, such as a name as he thinks is not borne by any living person. To his cost, when the book is published he finds he is mistaken. Someone bearing that very name pops up from heaven knows where. A libel action. The Bill aims at protecting the author if he can prove that he had no intention of referring to the plaintiff; that he had no knowledge of the existence of the plaintiff, and that there was no want of reasonable care in failing to know of the existence of the plaintiff, or that he did not foresee, and there was no want of reasonable care in failing to foresee that the libel might reasonably be understood to refer to the plaintiff.

### NECESSARY EVIDENCE

Another provision makes it necessary for a plaintiff to go into the witness-box and give evidence that the libel (or slander) he alleges has in fact done or may do harm to his reputation, and the defendant—subject to control by the judge—is enabled to show by evidence of specific facts that the plaintiff is not entitled to the reputation which he alleges has been injured.

Another clause discourages frivolous or unwarranted actions by

providing that a plaintiff shall not recover (unless the judge orders otherwise) costs to a greater sum than the damages awarded to him. This should prove a great boon to newspapers.

If this Bill becomes law more or less as it stands, it will certainly do away with some legitimate grievances.

The other day the people in the city who are engaged in the whole-sale tea trade celebrated the centenary of the arrival in the City, in Mining Lane, on January 10, 1839, of the first consignment of Empire tea. On the rostrum in the auction room of the Tea Brokers' Association of London there appeared the notice: "The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Frank H. Bowater, Auctioneer, Mansion House, E.C.; and the Lord Mayor, magnificent in his robes and insignia, 'auctioneered' a silver casket of tea which will not be opened until January 10, 2039. The casket contained two pounds of tea, and the total of the bids for the tea was £1,106 (\$5,780), which will go to charities of the tea trade. The ownership of the casket remains with the association.

As was appropriate, three Indian elephants brought the tea from the dock to the City boundary in Tower Hill in chests slung across their in panner fashion. They unanimously and resolutely refused to carry them on their backs.

At the City boundary the chests were transferred to drays. This is said to be symbolical of the meeting of East and West—but is much more likely to have been due to the opposition of the police to the elephants entering the City and dislocating traffic.

### THE CORONATION SCOT

At the invitation of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway—the L.M.S.—I went the other day to see the newly completed train "Coronation Scot," which is shortly to be sent to the United States for an exhibition tour of some 3,000 miles prior to being put on show at the World's Fair.

It certainly is a most magnificent piece of work, not only to the lay eye, but from the standards of the many engineers and train construction people who were present. The other "Coronation Scot" trains which are at present on service are painted in blue and silver—a background of blue with horizontal silver bands running from the streamlined front of the locomotive, where they converge, to the end of the train. In the present instance the train wears the standard L.M.S. livery of crimson lake with gold horizontal bands. Light high-tension steel has been used throughout the construction in order to provide great strength with light weight, the same object being helped by the large-scale use of welding.

The train on exhibition stands 173, which is less than the accommodation in the motor trains now in service; the weight of the train without the locomotive is 262 tons, and with the locomotive 426 tons, 9 cwt., and it is about 580 feet in length. Lilliputian figures when compared with transatlantic standards, but the train, both outside and inside, with the artistic beauty of its fittings, must be seen to be appreciated.

## Refugee Boy's Night Walk With Letter To King

NEWCASTLE.

CRYING, in a state of collapse, and tightly clutching a letter to the King pleading for help in the release of his parents from a German concentration camp, a 14-year-old Jewish boy refugee was found by a watchman early recently on the Team Valley Trading Estate, where the King and Queen were due later.

The boy, Leo Levi, was unable to speak English and was desperately anxious that his letter should not be lost.

Leo, who is the son of a professor of mathematics in Germany, came to England several months ago, and has been staying at the Talmudical College in Gateshead.

### HELP WITH THE LETTER

He said: "One of the other boys knew that I wished to send this letter," said Leo, "and as my English was not too good he offered to write the letter for me. 'All I said was that I thanked the King for the refuge I had found in England and how happy I was here. I also said that I should very much like my father and mother to come to England as well.'"

"After the letter was written last night I stayed up until after midnight. Then I set off towards the Team Valley estate."

"On the fringe of the estate I met a man and I asked him where there was a letter box. Then police came along in a car."

The question of forwarding the letter to the King is being considered.

### QUEEN INVITED TO TEA

Human incidents packed the royal programme to-day the second of three days which the King and Queen are spending on Tyne-side. "Alice Pegram, 10½-year-old machinist in a clothing factory on the Team Valley Trading Estate, told the King how to make a button-hole. Then she found to her dismay that the machine was not threaded."



Visit of King George and Queen Elizabeth to Washington early in June already is energizing many preparations in the White House. Here are the British sovereigns at Newcastle-on-Tyne, when King George launched the new battleship, George V.

## Ex-Fiancee Killed In Shop: Man Dies Shots Fired After Quarrel In Dairy

A REJECTED lover, Harry Crees, aged twenty-two walked into an Express Dairy in Fulham-road, S.W., recently, shot dead his ex-fiancee, eighteen-year-old Winifred Tedder, then ran into the yard behind the shop and killed himself with another bullet from his pistol.

Crees had been engaged to fair-haired Winifred Tedder nine months, but she broke with him a fortnight ago after a quarrel over another man.

The shots were heard by Mr. B. Howarth, of Whittington-road, round the corner, who rushed into the shop just in time to see Crees fall.

"One of the assistants telephoned for the police while the shooting was going on," he said. "Another rushed screaming to the door."

Miss Tedder was taken to hospital, but died there almost at once.

"After she broke off the engagement Crees came to the dairy every night," a friend of Miss Tedder said. "He used to go in and make scenes while customers were there."

"He often said to her, 'I shall kill myself and take you with me.' But she did not think he was serious."

Miss Tedder lived with her parents, who keep a general shop in Havendale, Ealing, W. Crees lived in Hampton Wick, Middlesex.

His landlady said that when he came home after his work that day he changed into his best clothes before going out again.

### Peer Flies 12,000 Miles To Wed

TWO hours after arriving in Australia by air from London, Charles Maurice Elton Gifford, fifth Baron Gifford, was married to Miss Margaret Allen, the daughter of a Sydney solicitor.

He proposed to his bride by radio-telephone from his London office a fortnight before. He had not seen her for two years.

The news surprised Miss Allen's friends in Sydney. It also surprised some of Lord Gifford's friends in London.

They thought, when Lord Gifford piled his luggage on to a taxicab outside his flat in Dolphin-square, S.W., last month, that he was going on holiday to Switzerland to join his sister, the Hon. Joan Gifford.

Instead he left on the plane for Australia, travelling as "Mr. Charles Maurice."

Before he went he instructed that his flat should be redecorated. He said: "I want it to be all nice when I return."

### MET BY FIANCEE

Lord Gifford met Miss Allen in Australia when he was aide-de-camp to Sir Philip Game, Governor of New South Wales from 1930 to 1935.

Lord Gifford was met at the airport in Brisbane by Miss Allen, and they drove away at once to be married.

The couple started at once on a 600-mile motoring honeymoon, despite a cyclone of wind and rain.

At the wayside hotel where they stopped for the night Lord Gifford said: "What's in a 600-mile drive, when I've flown 12,000 miles to get here?"

He added, "I am very, very happy. After six weeks' holiday—that's all I've got—my wife and I are flying back to London."

Lord Gifford, who was forty recently, succeeded to the title on the death of his uncle two years ago. He is managing director of the District Messenger and Theatrical Ticket Company.

### Tourists Like "Down Under"

Canberra, Australia. The urge to visit "down under" has become so great that during the past year more than \$15,000,000 had to be spent in building new hotels and improving others in New South Wales alone in order to accommodate the increasing tourist traffic.

## EMPIRE NEWS

### BURMA GOVERNOR ON DISORDERS

Rangoon.

Sir Archibald Cochrane, the Governor, addressing the Senate and House of Representatives, referred to the disorders in Burma. He strongly criticised the inflammatory tendency of the Press, which, he said, had contributed to the death and injury of numbers of innocent persons.

Damage to the interests of innocent people might compel the Government to restrain the unbridled licence of the Press.

The Governor strongly condemned the way in which children, girls as well as boys, had been instigated to commit illegal acts, in the expectation that their youth would protect them from the consequences.

Constitutional means for redress of grievances existed in the Legislature. It was the bounden duty of members to bring forward for discussion the disabilities which they believed afflicted their constituents.

### LACK OF UNDERSTANDING

During the disturbances the areas directly under the control of the Governor had been peaceful. It might appear as if the democratic system were not succeeding.

He did not take that view. There had been a lack of understanding of the responsibility of members of the Legislature to assist in the wise guidance of the affairs of the country.

The responsibility of Ministers to the Legislature did not mean that the Government was condemned to be timid of purpose or weak in execution of its policy. The Government had been fortunate in having the devoted service of its officials and police officers.

### INDIA

### ATTACKS BY WAZIR TRIBESMEN

New Delhi.

A recrudescence of hostile activity was recently reported from Waziristan recently. A renewed attack has been made on Datta Khel fort, which last summer withstood a sporadic siege of over a month before relief came. A Lashkar of the Madak Khel tribe fired 15 shells at 800 yards' range from two guns. Two shells penetrated the fort wall.

The attack was made in bright moonlight, enabling aircraft from Miram Shah to engage the tribesmen. The gang, though checked, is believed not to have been dispersed.

To the north-east two nights previously the villagers of Shamshi Khel, near Bannu, successfully resisted a raid by Ahmedzai Wazirs, two of whom were killed and one wounded.

Sniping of camps and attacks on road traffic persist.

Nehru Forecasts Crisis.—"We are at the door of a big crisis," declared Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru at the opening of the States Congress party campaign at Allahabad recently. He ridiculed the argument of the sanctity of the treaties with the Indian Princes, and charged the British Government with complicity with the Indian States in resisting the democratic movement.

### NEW ZEALAND

### CONTROL OF FOREIGN TRAVEL

Auckland.

The Government is requiring applicants for funds for overseas travel to disclose all holdings of capital wherever held. Hitherto it has been necessary to declare only the cash in the country to be visited.

The railways show a working profit of £250,000 over a period of 10 weeks. The previous return showed a loss of £2,000.

### JAMAICA

### COST OF LABOUR TROUBLES

Kingston.

It is estimated that during last year the labour troubles in Jamaica have cost the Government £20,000 in maintaining order.

Increase to the wages of the subordinate staffs, including the Public Works Department, prisons, police, Post Office, hospital and teachers will amount to another £250,000.

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## BLESS MY SOUL! SAID THE JUDGE

SAID Mr. Justice Charles, in the King's Bench Division recently: "Bless my soul. Liver and bacon at 11.30 p.m. You cigar merchants are stout fellows!"

He had heard Mr. Louis Brooks, a cigar merchant, of Sackville Street, W., allege that he was thrown out of the Windsor Castle Divo and Oyster Bar in Victoria Street, S.W., after having a meal of liver and bacon.

A claim for assault damages by Mr. Brooks against Carrs' (London) Ltd., owners of the premises, was dismissed with costs.

Mr. Brooks complained that while waiting for a taxi, after having missed his overcoat, he was seized and thrown out of the place.

**NOCTURNAL UNEASE**  
Replying to Mr. J. D. Cassels, K.C. (for the defence), Mr. Brooks denied that he was abusive, and shouted at the top of his voice: "I will have the law on this house and the supervisor who let another man take my coat away."

A doctor gave evidence that, when he was called to see Mr. Brooks the day after the alleged assault, he was told that the plaintiff had been groaning all night.

The judge: It may have been the liver and bacon, nocturnal unease.

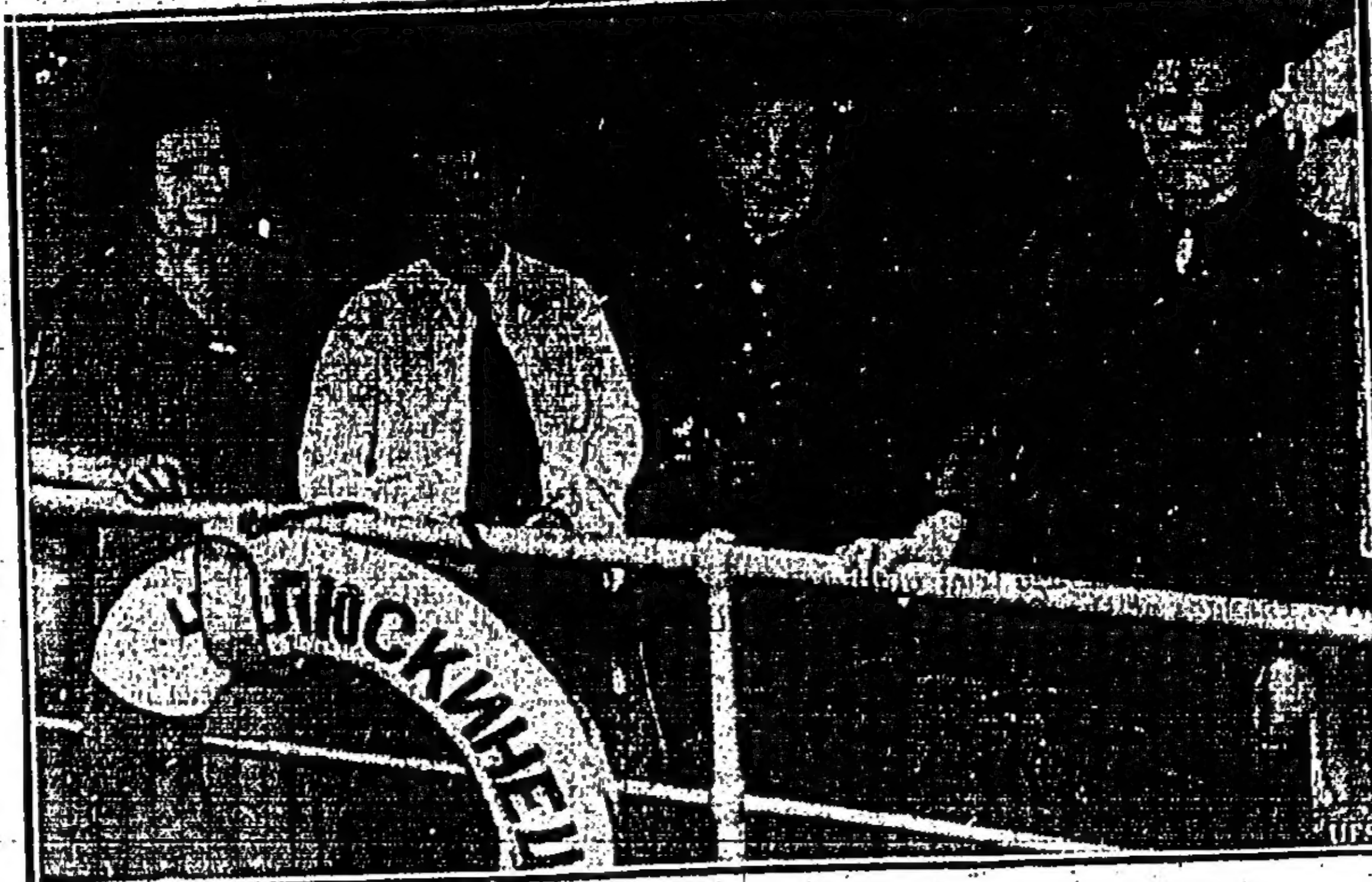
Mr. Justice Charles said he found,

### GAS MASK FOOTBALL

WHEN a greengrocer sued a firm for damages, his wife told Lambeth County Court judge that men delivering gasmasks played football with one, and kicked it through the window.

The defence was that kicking a gasmask was not in the course of employment. The greengrocer lost his claim.

on the evidence, that Mr. Brooks acted in a disorderly and violent way. Refusing to leave, he was put out without the use of unreasonable force.



When the Soviet freighter Chelyuskets docked at Jersey City, N. J., four women were in her crew. They were Stewardess Uliana Lebedeva, Radio Operator Elizabeth Georgopulo, Second Mate Galina Gradskaia and Stewardess Nina Todary.

## One Torpedo Drives Fleet From Baltic

### Blow To Germany's 1915 Strategy

British submarines frequently penetrated to enemy waters during the Great War, in the face of all sorts of difficulties, and in at least one instance completely upset a campaign.

Full details of these exploits based on official sources, are given for the first time in "We Dive At Dawn," by Lt.-Cmdr. K. P. M. Edwards, published recently (Fitch and Cowan, 12s. 6d.).

The first British submarine to enter the Baltic, on Oct. 17, 1914, was E1, commanded by Lt.-Cmdr. N. F. Laurence. In company with E2, Lt.-Cmdr. Max Horton, he soon interrupted Germany's munitions traffic with Sweden. On Aug. 19, 1915, the Germans made a determined attempt to force their way into the Gulf of Riga, at the entrance to which E1 was patrolling.

"At 8.10 a.m. Laurence sighted German battle cruisers steaming in line abreast. He did not have much time, for the visibility was only two miles, and the enemy were steaming fast; but 10 minutes after sighting the enemy he fired a torpedo at the Seydlitz, the starboard wing ship of the enemy squadron.

"It was only possible to get off one torpedo, for E1 had only one bow tube. Moreover, Laurence was not given time to turn to fire a beam tube: in his own words, 'E1 immediately went deep to avoid being rammed by a destroyer which passed within a few feet.'"

### THE MOLTKE OUT OF ACTION

Actually the torpedo missed the Seydlitz, but hit the Moltke, the next ship in the line, flooding her forward torpedo room and killing eight men. As soon as she was hit Admiral Hipper turned his entire force and returned to Danzig, where the Moltke was found to have shipped 450 tons of water. She was out of action for a month in consequence. According to the German official history:

"The whole operations were at once suspended, and two days later an Imperial order directed that the ships of the High Sea Fleet were to leave the Baltic."

Thus E1's one torpedo led to the withdrawal of the naval forces on whose support the German army had been relying, and the operations against Riga were not renewed until October, 1917.

Cmdr. Laurence, as he soon afterwards became, was sent for by the Tsar, who thanked him personally and said, "You have saved our city of Riga." He is now Vice-Admiral Sir Noel Laurence, the Admiral Commanding Reserves.

### Shrapnel 22 Years In His Heart

For 22 years shrapnel has been embedded in the heart of Mr. David Jones, of Lime-grove, Bangor, North Wales, but he did not know it until recently, when he heard the result of an X-ray examination.

Mr. David Tall, headmaster of Armadale School, West Lothian, collapsed while making his round of classes and died.

Work for several hundred is likely to be provided at a factory which will be built on a 20-acre site at Theale, Berks., bought by the Imperial Tobacco Company for one of its London branches, W. and F. Faulkner.

Colonel H. L. Nathan, M.P., has been appointed a J.P. for London. His wife, a member of the L.C.C., has been a London J.P. since 1929.

Ernest Hill, Hull fisherman, who gained the Stanhope gold medal for rescuing a shipmate, sought a shore job because of ill-health, and has taken a post as caretaker at Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex.

To study British Parliamentary methods, Mr. Henri Vallotton, President of the Swiss National Council, or Parliament is in London, changes are to be made in the procedure of the Swiss Parliament.



Lotte Krauss, refugee from Vienna, arrived in Miami, Fla., and got a job singing a broom after hours in a night club. But someone heard her singing and soon the management told her to quit the broom and come up to the microphone.

## Wife Volunteers For Bullet Test In Shelter

A YOUNG Birmingham wife recently volunteered to sit in a steel air-raid shelter while it was bombarded with bricks—and machine-gun bullets.

She is Mrs. Kathleen Hamilton, a 24-year-old city typist, of Yarningdale Road, King's Heath. "Why should I worry?" she said. "I'm sure I'll come through safely. I told my husband about it. He advised me not to go, but I'm going for the thrill of it."

The shelter, which is bell-shaped and made of heavy steel plate, was demonstrated by its manufacturers, a Birmingham firm.

One of the firm's executive and Mrs. Hamilton took part in the tests. The shelter has room for one person only.

Tons of masonry was collapsed on the shelter, which was placed inside a factory about to be demolished.

### Mrs. Laurel Wants £27 For Food

New York.

THE marital switchback of Stan Laurel, film comedian, has taken another sharp turn.

His third wife, Illana, the Russian singer, stating he deserted her, has filed a renewal of her action started a few months ago, and asks for £170 a month alimony, with a house.

She demands £110 for food, £15 for music lessons, £10 per doctor's bills, £10 for servants, £5 for laundry, and £20 miscellaneous expenses, in addition to the unstated cost of the rent.

### "ENOUGH TROUBLE"

Laurel again left her, she says, after drinking heavily. "As if I haven't enough trouble already with the Hal Roach case coming up," he said.

He is seeking £14,000 damages from Hal Roach Studios for alleged breach of contract. Roach's defence alleges that Laurel was discharged after violating the "morale" in his contract by drinking and ignoring studio calls to work.

Efforts are still going on to settle these differences and restore the Laurel and Hardy screen team again. But studio officials are hampered by continual changes in Laurel's marital arrangements.

Then the shelter was taken to the gun-proof house at Small Heath. Here Mrs. Hamilton—or the executive—will stay inside while thousands of bullets pound the steel plates.

Home Office experts, local M.P.s and A.R.P. authorities watched. The makers claim that the shelter is proof against splinters, shrapnel, falling masonry, glass, blast, bullets and incendiary bombs.

### £3,000,000 SUBWAY

A £3,250,000 bomb-proof underground subway to run one and a half miles under Central Birmingham is being considered by Birmingham Public Works Committee.

Councillor Norman Tiptaft stated at a recent meeting of the City Council that the subway, which would have a 40ft. carriageway and two footways, would be capable of sheltering 24,000 people.

Its peace-time intention was to relieve traffic congestion.

The Council passed A.R.P. plans providing an expenditure of £170,000 on air-raid shelters.

### DEEP SHELTERS ESSENTIAL

A.R.P. news from other parts of Britain includes: An urgent plea for deep shelters, made in a statement issued with the signatures of over 300 doctors practising psychological medicine throughout Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The signatories include leaders in psychiatric medicine, some of international fame, and 59 who are superintendents of mental hospitals.

Recruiting and training of air raid wardens in the Metropolitan Police area are to be transferred from local authorities to the police.

The Metropolitan Boroughs Standing Joint Committee, the authority dealing with the question, has been conferring with Sir John Anderson.

### Trout Curious Fish

Plumas National Forest, Cal.

Trout are much more interested in human beings than the average fisherman could ever be induced to believe, according to O. J. Erickson, Cow Hollow miner. Erickson, in a deep sea diving outfit, has been mining extensively at the bottom of Feather river. He states that trout constantly swim around his outfit and peer at him through the glass openings.

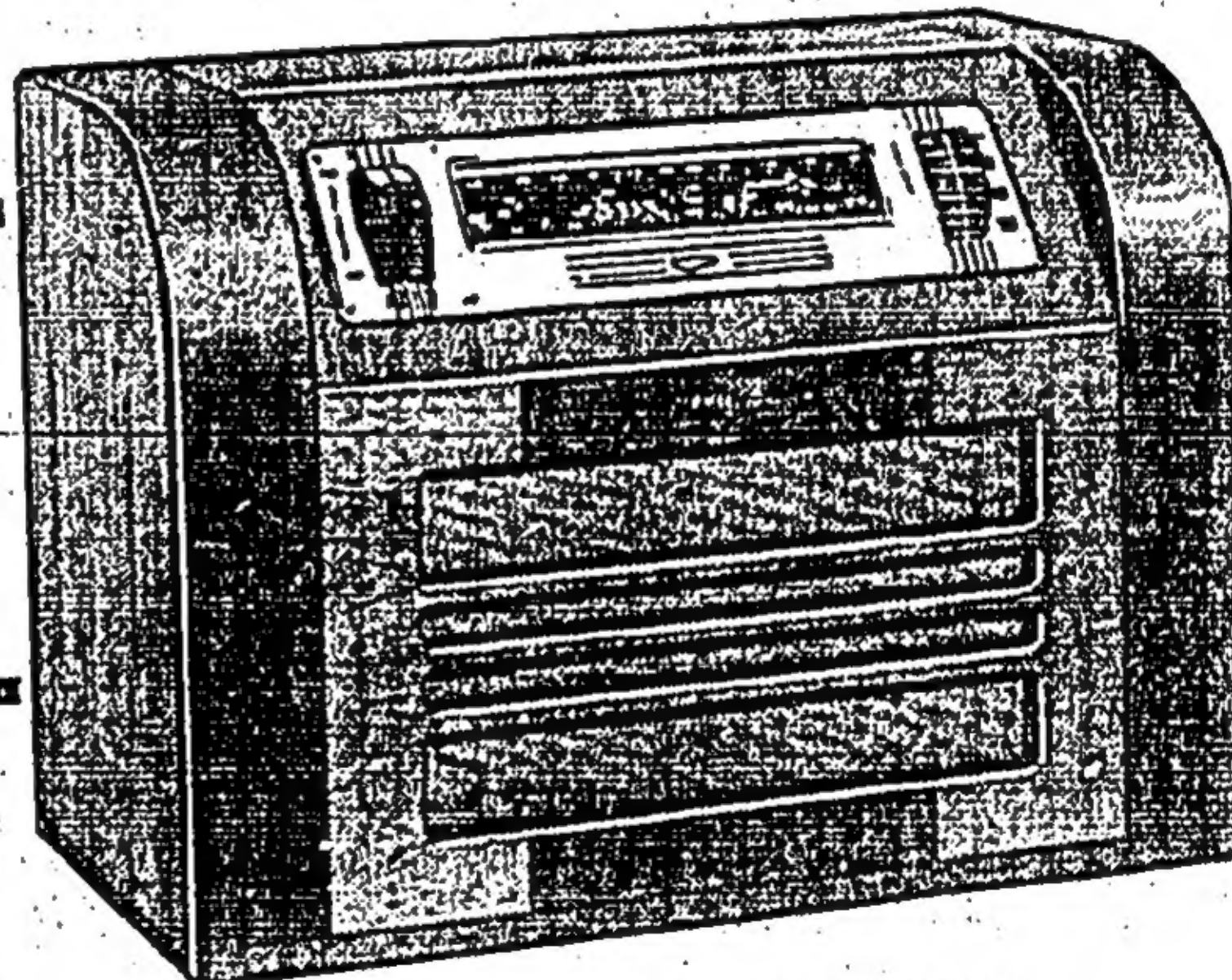
## Shanghai Engagement

THE engagement is announced between Miss Sylvia Rapozo, London, and Mr. Robert Gascoigne, who is a subaltern in the Seaforth and is stationed in Shanghai. They have not seen each other for nearly eighteen months.

Miss Rapozo, dark and twenty-two years old, was presented when she was seventeen. She has been doing a lot of V.A.D. work at Home lately and her two chief interests in life are riding and Highland dancing. This last is probably just as well, as she is marrying a Scot and will probably have to live "among those barbarians."

They got engaged by post, and Miss Rapozo will soon arrive in China.

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**EMPIRE NEWS**  
U.S. AID IN DEFENCE OF CANADA

Ottawa.  
I understand that the Canadian Government is planning to establish a fleet of fast motor torpedo boats similar to those adopted by the British Navy, which will be concentrated on the Atlantic coast, especially in the vicinity of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

There is speculation in defence circles as to what extent co-operation for defence between the United States and Canada—in which the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, made reference in the House of Commons recently—has been carried.

The Premier said that no commitments had been undertaken by either country, but that close contact was being maintained.

A reliable informant, however, told me that tactical plans were being formed along the lines of ensuring the greatest possible security for the North American continent.

He said that the United States Fleet would keep a watchful eye on Canadian waters.

**INDIA**

**CONGRESS DEMAND TO BRITAIN**  
Jalpaiguri, Bengal.  
A resolution urging the All-India Congress to send a six months' ultimatum to the British Government in which to answer categorically "India's national demand" for the right to frame her own constitution by means of a constituent assembly was passed by the Bengal Congress Political Conference here.

If there were no reply from Great Britain, or the reply was unsatisfactory, the Congress, it was pointed out, would consider itself justified in resorting to whatever action it deemed necessary to enforce that demand.

**BAHAMAS**

**SPONGE INDUSTRY THREATENED**  
Nassau.  
It was announced recently that Dr. Galtsoff, Senior Scientist on the Bureau of Fisheries at Washington, has been selected by the United States Government to collaborate with the Bahamas Sponge Fishers' Department in investigating the mysterious malady which threatens to destroy the sponge industry in the Bahamas.

**AUSTRALIA**

**GROWING INFLUX OF CAPITAL**  
Sydney.  
The Federal Treasurer, Mr. Casey, states that the immigration of overseas capital, which now commonly takes the form of the establishment of new or the extension of existing factories in Australia, is continuing at a satisfactory rate.

Although precise figures are not available, it is estimated that capital coming into Australia from all overseas sources amounts to about £10,000,000 a year.

During the last few years half of this has come from New Zealand, and expert opinion here inclines to the view that the influx from there is already rapidly increasing as a result of the new trade restrictions put into force by the New Zealand Government.

**JAMAICA**

**FUGITIVES FROM DEVIL'S ISLAND**

Kingsland.  
Two French fugitives from Devil's Island, the French penal settlement, were rescued recently from the uninhabited Pedro Cay, south of Jamaica where they had spent six weeks.

Along with two others who were able to reach the island two days ago, they travelled 75 miles by sea in an open boat, and reached the north coast of Jamaica.

The men left Jamaica some time in December in an effort to reach Mexico after landing here from French Guiana. They are now in hospital under treatment for exhaustion.

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The Thirty-fourth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Thursday, the 13th April, 1939, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 29th March to 13th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

**DODWELL & COMPANY LIMITED.**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1939.

**THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1939, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The Transfer Register will be closed from April 10th to 22nd, 1939 inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
M. Y. TANG,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, April 1, 1939.

**ALBANIA AS "MANDATE"**

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led Viscount Halifax to see Signor Crolla three times to-day.

It is stated in authoritative circles that Viscount Halifax left Signor Crolla in no doubt with regard to the serious view taken by the British Government in view of Italian action in Albania, and also with regard to the strength of British feeling on the subject.

Due note has been taken officially of the assurances given by Signor Crolla, and Lord Perth has been informed of them and also of the general tenor of the conversations, which, it is understood, covered any and every kind of rumour.

**Anxiety Decreases**

It may be stated that anxieties over the situation are now somewhat less than they were this morning.

Official circles have nothing to say on the possible effect of Italian action in Albania on a future British policy, which will doubtless be discussed at to-morrow's Cabinet meeting.

Anxiety for the safety of Sir A. Ryan, the British Minister to Albania, has been dispelled by receipt of news from him dated from Durazzo.

The foregoing authoritative information can apparently be interpreted as indicating a slight easing in anxiety.

**American Denunciation**

Washington, April 8.  
Both President Roosevelt and the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, have denounced the invasion of Albania as a threat to world peace.

The denunciation was contained in a formal statement after Mr. Hull held a telephone consultation with the President at Warm Springs.

The text of the denunciation, in part is as follows:—  
"The forcible and violent invasion of Albania is unquestionably an additional threat to world peace."

"It would be short-sighted not to take sight of this further development."

"Any threat to world peace seriously concerns all nations and violates the will of all people that their governments shall lead them, not towards war, but in the paths of peace."

"It is scarcely necessary to add that the inevitable effect of this incident, taken with similar incidents, will further destroy the confidence and undermine the economic stability of every country in the world, thus affecting our own welfare."

Mr. Hull evaded a direct answer to the question as to whether the United States considers the invasion of Albania a clear violation of the Kellogg-Briand Pact.

However, his attitude has not left any doubt that he considers the invasion a violation of the pact.

In answering questions, Mr. Hull particularly emphasised the opening words of the text as an unqualified description of the Italian action.—United Press.

# THOUGHT IS FREE IN ENGLAND

## "But Justice Must Be Firm With Terrorists"

SUMMING-UP recently in the trial of the first nine men on explosives charges at the Old Bailey Mr. Justice Humphreys said:

"There is complete freedom of thought in this country, and any person who takes the view that Ireland or Scotland or the Isle of Man or the Isle of Wight ought to be severed from the British Crown and become a republic is perfectly entitled to hold that view."

"Moreover such a person is entitled to express his views and by writing or by speech to induce others to be converted to his views. All that is permissible and that is what is called political propaganda."

**THE NEED TO BE FIRM**

"When a person ceases to employ constitutional methods of altering the position of part of a British Dominion and employs method of terrorism, incendiaries, causing of explosions, and rendering the life of respectable law-abiding citizens impossible, then it is that the Crown invites those who are responsible for the administration of the criminal law to act firmly in doing what they can to suppress such illegal and dangerous acts."

"Let it be clearly understood that in this trial the question whether there should be an Irish republic or not has absolutely nothing whatever to do with it."

**"THESE DAYS OF SO CALLED EDUCATION"**

"These men are in the dock because it is alleged against them rightly or wrongly that they used methods which cannot be tolerated for a moment in any civilised country."

"You and I need not stop to consider whether it really is possible these days of education, or so-called education, that people can really and honestly hold the view that they are assisting their country to become a republic by destroying the telephones, electric lights, the public buildings, and the private buildings of people who live in another country."

"It may appear to be a perfectly ridiculous question, and we need not stop to discuss it."

**ENTITLED TO BE PATRIOTIC**

"These men no doubt regard themselves as patriots. They have said so. Let them be patriots. Let every man who thinks there ought to be an Irish Republic be a patriot. They are perfectly entitled to be so."

"But what these men are charged with is committing a criminal offence."

The judge said the first count against the men of conspiring to cause explosions was the more important. The second count of conspiring to commit arson added nothing to the case. It would not add one day to the punishment of anyone.

**"CLORIED IN WHAT HE DID"**

Speaking of the accused men individually, the judge said Stuart had been called "Operations Officer, Britain."

"He was one of those who was loudest in saying that he gloried in what he had done, and would do it again. He had offered no explanation."

"In the case of Walker, Healy and O'Shea, not one of these men has ever been in any trouble before. They are not ordinary criminals. They are not ordinary men."

"Walker's cap said the judge, was 'gather from Dr. Roche Lynch, he added, 'that aluminium powder is a very dangerous thing for criminals to use because it is a light powder and has that property of shining.'"

"If you use it dry you are almost certain to get it on your clothes and you cannot get it off again."

**THE MAN IN THE STREET**

The judge spoke of what he described as "the story of the man in the street" when he came to the case of O'Shea.

"In that story," said the judge, "the policeman says, 'where did you get that gold watch?' and the man replies, 'Oh a man in the street that I met presented it to me.'"

The prosecution suggested that it was a most difficult story to accept. Healy was alleged to have been the buyer of a large quantity of explosives for the I.R.A. and to have been extremely useful as he had an established position in London.

**WAS HE THE DUPE?**  
Referring to Healy's evidence that he had bought the chemicals for a Dublin pharmacist named Burke, Mr. Justice Humphreys said:

"Mr. Burke, or the person who came and represented himself as Burke was an emissary of the I.R.A. It was never intended that this material should go to Ireland—it was intended for use to make explosives in England."

The question for the jury to determine was whether Healy knew that Burke was an emissary of the I.R.A. I had not the least idea anything was wrong."

The judge's summing-up lasted two hours and thirty-five minutes. The jury retired.

**Hungarians In Slovakia**

Budapest, Apr. 8.  
Hungarian troops have marched into Slovakia and formally took over in the name of Hungary, the territory gained in the Slovak-Hungarian agreement.—United Press.

**DAVIS CUP TENNIS**

**Philippines Probably Meet Australia**

Manila, Apr. 9.  
The Philippines Amateur Athletic Federation have announced that the Philippines Davis Cup tennis team will meet Australia somewhere in California on July 15, that is assuming that the Australians will defeat Mexico in the first round of the North American Zone.—United Press.

**TENNIS CHAMPION**

Johannesburg, Apr. 8.  
E. Sturges, of Southern Transvaal became the youngest player ever to win the South Africa lawn tennis singles championship when he beat E. Fennin, the Springbok Davis Cup player by 6-2, 6-7, 3-6, 6-8, 7-5.—Reuter.

**King Zog In Athens**

Athens, Apr. 9.  
King Zog of Albania arrived here to-day. He was accompanied by a suite of forty-five, including his sisters, and will occupy forty rooms in the big Mediterranean palace at Salonica where Queen Geraldine is already established.—United Press.

**Easter Leave Cancelled**

**Demonstrations In Birmingham**

Cardiff, Apr. 8.  
The police departments of Cardiff and Newport cancelled all Easter leave after receiving information from the Birmingham police regarding I.R.A. activities.

Extra police guards have been placed along the railways, on the river bridges and in the dockyards of both towns.—United Press.

**ALBANIAN RESISTANCE ENDS: KING ZOG SEEKS SANCTUARY IN GREECE**

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that his return to Albania might provoke disturbances.

**Air Infantrymen**

The Italians landed an entire regiment of Grenadiers, totalling about 3,000 men, from airplanes—one of the biggest troop movements ever accomplished via air.

Thousands of bewildered Albanians, mainly women and children, witnessed the new tri-motored bombers land as they wheeled and halted.

The tall fully equipped Grenadiers emerged and formed a line of parade formation, many carrying machine-guns which they swiftly assembled.

The Italians posted posters on the walls of public buildings, condemning King Zog and hailing Signor Mussolini. It is reported that King Victor Emmanuel of Italy will be given additional powers which will be tantamount to make Albania an integral part of the Italian Empire.—United Press.

**Last City Falls**

Triana, Apr. 9.  
It has been announced that Italian troops have occupied El Bassom, the last city to resist General Alfredo Guzzoni, the Field Commander of the occupation of Albania, who arrived by airplane from Durazzo late afternoon and immediately set up his headquarters here.

Count Ciano also arrived by airplane to-day.

Besides the Albanian delegation, Count Ciano was greeted at the airfield by the German and Spanish Ministers. Count Ciano then led a parade of automobiles through the main streets of Triana.

In the main square, Count Ciano reviewed a detachment of machine-gunners, tall Grenadiers and short Bersaglieri, in their feathered hats.

The review included armoured cars, motor cycles with machine guns on the handle bars, troop trucks, squads of soldiers on bicycles as well as squads of mountain artillery, while pursuit planes and bombers manoeuvred overhead.

Many Albanian troops who resisted the Italian occupation are beginning to return to the capital, surrendering their arms.

It is also reported that many officers have surrendered and announced their willingness to serve Italy.—United Press.

**To Leave Greece**

Salonica, Apr. 9.  
Headed by King Zog, Queen Geraldine, with members of the Government proceeded from Florina by train to-day, towards Larissa on the railway line to Athens without stopping here.

An Athens message says that it is understood that King Zog and Queen Geraldine will leave Greece as soon as possible.—Reuter.

**New Hope In War On Cancer**

EXPERIMENTAL research now being carried out in British hospitals has brought the cure of cancer within measurable distance.

Pathologists, working in secret alliance with the chemists, have evolved two new compounds. B.R.I. Colloid Sulphur-Selenium and Radio-Active Selenium.

Several years ago doctors engaged in cancer research noted that an injection of lead into the blood of a patient frequently brought a measure of relief. There was no apparent reason for the phenomenon, but they persisted in their experiments.

In 1929 a physician in Bristol came to the conclusion that the little known element of selenium would add to the efficacy of the lead.

Selenium has strange electromagnetic properties. It is that seemingly magic thing which mysteriously opens doors when someone walks across a threshold. It is also used in burglar alarms.

**PAIN DISAPPEARS**

Patient experiment showed that a mixture of lead and selenium had even better results than lead used alone, and the next step was to investigate the possibilities of a combination of lead-selenium injections with X-ray treatment.

The researchers proceeded slowly. Month after month mice which had been implanted with cancer were injected with the compound in varying doses and then subjected to X-ray. Step by step the formulae were noted.

Ultimately the decision was taken to use the treatment on human patients. Only those cases were taken which the surgeons regarded as inoperable and for which little hope remained.

Almost from the commencement of the new treatment beneficial results were obtained. Patients were relieved of pain, and there were signs of healing.

Now, the investigators claim, the formulae at which the chemists arrived—the S.S.E. and R.A.S.—have shown definite cures.

The treatment at present is a prolonged and complicated one, and every new case is regarded as an experiment.

A quantity of sulphur-selenium is injected into a vein on the front of the wrist, and the patient's reactions are carefully watched for 48 hours. If they are satisfactory and the injection has done its work, the X-ray is applied. The treatment is continued for two months by weekly injections and subsequent irradiation. Injections are then made weekly of the healing radio-active selenium.

In Bristol there are a number of established cases in which the new treatment has succeeded. In Hampshire there are two others.

**LADYLIKE BOYCOTT**

A WOMAN has become chairman of the L.C.C. She has made history for the feminine.

But when a reception in her honour is held in April one leading feminist organisation will not be represented.

The woman is Mrs. E. M. Lowe. She was for three years chairman of the L.C.C.'s Education Committee.

**THE REASON**

And that committee passed a rule barring women from being school attendance officers. That is the reason for the boycott.

The boycotters, the London and National Society for Women's Service, were one of the senior feminist organisations founded by suffragettes during the war.

They are said to have communicated with other women's groups inviting them to join the boycott.

Both sides in the dispute are being extremely ladylike. Both preferred not to talk about it.

Miss Philippa Strachey, secretary of the London and National Society for Women's Service, said "All I can say is that the invitation has been refused; but that no disrespect is intended towards Mrs. Lowe."

**"NOT THE OCCASION"**

Miss Underwood, secretary of the Women's Freedom League, organisers of the reception, said: "We don't wish to discuss the matter because we do not want to embarrass Mrs. Lowe. We agree with most women's societies that the decision not to have women school attendance officers is a wrong one, but we feel that this reception is not the occasion on which to protest."

The L.C.C. already appear to have regretted their ban. It was considered particularly reactionary because, since the Children and Young Persons' Act of 1933, a great deal more court work has been thrown on London's 250 school attendance officers.

The intimate nature of the work, especially where it concerns young girls, makes it suitable for women.

As a sop to the opposition, the L.C.C. may appoint a woman school "inquiry officer."

**King Zog In Athens**

Athens, Apr. 9.  
King Zog of Albania arrived here to-day. He was accompanied by a suite of forty-five, including his sisters, and will occupy forty rooms in the big Mediterranean palace at Salonica where Queen Geraldine is already established.—United Press.

**POST OFFICE.**

**EASTER HOLIDAYS**  
The General Post Office, Kowloon Central Post Office, Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open, to-day April 10, as follows:  
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London and London Carthage April 12.

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date, 5th April

Shanghai and Amoy Soochow April 12.

Shanghai and Swatow Taiyuan April 12.

U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 18th March)

U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 24th March)

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Japan Rakuyo Maru April 14.

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## CHARTERED BANK

### Conditions Reviewed At Annual Meeting

The Eighty-Fifth Ordinary General Meeting of the shareholders of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China was held at the Bank's premises, 38, Bishopsgate, London, E.C.

Mr. A. d'Anvers Willis (the Chairman) in the course of his speech, said:—Turning to the profit and loss account, you will find that our net profits for the year amount to £233,300, against £241,005 a year ago, and I would also point out, although possibly it is quite unnecessary, that the figure of £233,300 includes a transfer from contingencies account to meet depreciation on Government securities. I shall now endeavour to explain to you the adverse factors that have brought about this reduction in profits.

There has been a decreased volume of trade in various spheres where we operate, but it is the deteriorating business conditions in China and Japan that have been our chief concern. Most of you have followed events there on the news, and I need not elaborate on those at the moment. I can only say that ordinary commercial trading, which it has been our business to finance, has in the past 18 months been seriously disturbed. If this seemed to be a passing phase, or if we could visualize a return to more normal conditions, the near future, we would be happy to refer later on to the introduction of a new currency into North China, and the endeavour to force unwilling traders to confine their financial dealings to Japanese banks in the new currency. This is a portent of interference with normal trading which we cannot ignore in relation to the future success of our business in China, and particularly North China.

Further, during the last two years there has been a very substantial fall in the price of Government securities, of which our holdings, as I have mentioned in previous years, consist largely of short-dated stocks. Here again it is not possible to be optimistic about the future.

#### The Dividend

With these considerations in view your directors, after making the necessary provision for bad and doubtful accounts out of current profits, decided that the current profit for the year should be charged with the amount required to write up securities to market value and to transfer from contingencies account the balance required to provide for the proposals submitted to you.

I need hardly say how much my fellow directors, the management, and I regret this proposal of a reduced dividend, but I am sure that our conservative policy will in the circumstances receive your full approval. I founded a note of warning in my speech last year regarding the difficulty of working profitably in China and Japan, and the reduction of our interim dividend from 7 per cent. to 5 per cent. in September was therefore probably not altogether a surprise to you.

You will observe in the balance-sheet against our holding of P. & O. Banking Corporation, Limited, a note stating that a contract has been entered into for the purchase of the undertaking of the P. & O. Banking Corporation, Limited, with effect from 1st February, 1939.

The P. & O. Bank, with their head office in London and with branches in India, Ceylon, and elsewhere in the East, covered a field almost as wide as that of the Chartered Bank. Under conditions of expanding trade between Great Britain and these territories, and between these territories themselves, there would probably have been ample room for the two institutions. With adverse economic conditions, however, such as we have had since 1931, and as far as we can judge, without prospects of substantial betterment in the near future, your directors have naturally had under serious consideration for some time the desirability of the actual merging of the business of the P. & O. Bank into the business of the Chartered Bank.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

## Losses Of £1,000 A Day

BRADFORD. ALLEGATIONS that the £2,000,000 Bradford Dyers Association, the great textile syndicate, was losing £1,000 a day due to gross mismanagement were made at a stormy annual meeting of the Association here recently.

The balance-sheet for 1938 showed a trading loss of £240,000, which the chairman, Mr. George Douglas, attributed to severe reduction in yardage due to subsidised foreign competition.

Opposing the adoption of the report and accounts, Mr. A. P. Nichol, who said he was a large holder of stock in the Association, described the result of the year's working as appalling and disastrous, and in his opinion showed gross mismanagement, incompetence and certainly a lack of very necessary business acumen. (Cries of "Hear, hear.")

### "ABSURD" CHARGE

The loss for 1938 was at the rate of £5,730 a week, or over £1,000 a day.

Mr. Newall, another shareholder, suggested the winding-up of the Association, and declared that the whole of the Ordinary share capital had been lost.

The chairman said the same condition of things as regards trade existed in Lancashire, the export cotton trade having gone down to one-third of what it used to be.

To say that was due to mismanagement was absurd.

The Association had some of the finest works in the world and he did not think there were any better in the world. They had managers and men who were experts in their work.

Mr. Frank Youatt, one of the company's auditors, asked to express his opinion, said: "I think you have a magnificent staff from top to bottom. I have spoken to your valuers, who assured me that your works are wonderful."

### ADVERSE VOTE

When the resolution that the report and accounts be adopted was put to the meeting it was lost by a large majority and a poll was demanded.

The poll adopted the report and balance sheet by 183,879 votes to 53,804 against.

The maintenance of a stable currency in China is of the utmost importance to British trade, and the announcement made in Parliament on March 9 by the Chancellor of the Exchequer regarding the formation of a currency stabilization fund of £10,000,000, in which this bank will participate under the guarantee of H.M. Treasury, will doubtless be welcomed as a means towards this end. Unfortunately, this fund will not, unfortunately, except indirectly, the position in North China, which, I understand, forms the subject of vigorous protests addressed to Japan by the Governments of this country and of the United States of America, and France. The fact that, as already stated, the rate of exchange in the Shanghai market has been maintained on a relatively stable basis since June last, with only moderate and intermittent support, gives reason to hope that, in spite of the many uncertainties of this position, the stabilization fund will prove successful.

The Outlook. Having given you an outline of the principal features affecting trade in the major zones where we have branches, I would like to make brief reference to one matter which is of importance to the future of international trade. This is the new Anglo-American Trade Agreement, which I might perhaps refer to as a British Empire-American Trade Agreement, as its terms are not confined to trade between the United States and Great Britain. Now here is an endeavour by two great communities to improve and simplify the conditions that govern the interchange of commodities in order that trade may be encouraged and developed, and so bring material advantages to all concerned.

I also welcome the decision of our Government to secure for the Export Credit Guarantee Department wider powers to provide a fuller measure of assistance to the export trades of this country. If only we could get free of international tension and strife it would indeed not be difficult to foresee a welcome improvement in world trade, with better prices for primary commodities and a consequent rise in the standard of living in the Eastern countries in which we are so much interested.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted, the retiring directors and auditors were re-elected and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the chairman, directors, management and staff.

At a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting proposals for the renewal of the bank's charter were submitted in the form of a resolution, which was carried unanimously.

## JAPANESE RAIDERS SHOT DOWN

(Continued from Page 7.)

Five towards Nanning and Lungchow. The intensive Japanese thrust is said to be put pressure on China to accept mediation from a third Power, possibly Germany or Great Britain.—Special.

### Eyewitness Account

Macao, Apr. 9. There has been conflicting reports regarding the state of Kongmoon, some reports to the effect that the Chinese forces have retaken that city, while others state that it is still in the hands of the Japanese, even falling into their possession on Wednesday last.

There is little to show in Shekklai that a bitter struggle is in progress only a bare twenty miles away, save the dull rumble of artillery and the occasional boom of a bursting bomb dropped from some aeroplane.

It is evident that the Japanese have withdrawn from Sunwui city, and though fierce fighting has been going on in the vicinity of Kongmoon, there is nothing to show that it has been recovered from the Japanese by the Chinese troops.

In Shun Tai district, the Japanese met with no opposition, large numbers of Chinese accepting service under the invaders.

It is clear that the Japanese did not expect to have great difficulty in taking Kongmoon, and even so, the assistance of Chinese within the city, who raised Japanese flags actually before the invading Japanese reached Kongmoon. After the first attack, consisting of about two hundred Japanese regulars and a few hundred Chinese mercenaries, they proved unsuccessful, the invaders retreated in greater numbers. The second expedition which consisted of Japanese to the number of two or three hundred and several hundreds of purely trained Shantung men, and others from the vicinity of Fanchan, also met with disaster, in spite of the fact that the invaders were aided by Japanese planes and temporary success. The defeat of the second Japanese expedition was due to the arrival of Kwangtung regulars.

### Third Attack

The Japanese then launched their attack this week, making use of a large percentage of Japanese troops and using planes continuously. They advanced on this occasion with considerable rapidity and took Sunwui, but were forced to evacuate on Friday, April 7, falling back on Kongmoon, where heavy fighting is going on. The Japanese are forcing local coolies to assist in the digging of trenches and fortifications at Kongmoon and Pakkai.

In their operations against Kongmoon, believed to be of small extent, the Japanese have advanced by the West River from Sam Shui and by the Tam Chau Channel, from Boca Tigris, and the opinion is expressed that the object is to close the West River to the mail trade that is carried on through Macao, and also to attack the Chinese West River defences, near Wuchow, by penetrating through Sunwui and the districts contiguous to Sunwui.—Our Own Correspondent.

### Kwangtung Troops Coming

Macao, Apr. 9. Kwangtung troops reported to have arrived the other day are only a small detachment. The Japanese are using Shantung Chinese for the most part, and they have also used Fanchan soldiers who threw down their arms and surrendered to the Chinese Government troops.—Reuter.

### HAINAN BOMBARDMENT

Shanghai, Apr. 9. Chinese reports said that seven Chinese planes made a surprise night raid against Hainan Island and blew up the Japanese arsenal in Hoihow and later they heavily damaged two warships between Hainan and the mainland.—United Press.

### APPOINTMENTS

#### Hon. Dr. Selwyn-Clarke To Be on Executive Council

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke to be an Official Member of the Executive Council.

Mr. A. G. W. Tickle has been appointed to act as Director of Public Works, and temporarily to be a Member of the Legislative Council, during the absence on leave of the Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson.

Mr. M. M. Watson is to be a Member of the Medical Board for a term of three years.

Dr. Chau Wal-cheung is also to be a Member of the Medical Board for a term of three years.

Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell is to be a Member of the Traffic Board during the absence from the Colony of Mr. G. S. Archbutt.

Mr. C. Champkin has been appointed Chief Air Raid Warden for the Colony.

## EASTER FESTIVAL

### Special Church Services Throughout Colony

While the majority accepted Easter as just a welcome holiday, Holy Week was observed in churches throughout the Colony with special devotion.

Holy Communion, and a daily address at St. John's Cathedral, took place on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, while Maundy Thursday was the occasion also of the Commemoration of the Institution of Holy Communion. A three hours' Devotional Service, a Children's Service and the reading of the Litany took place on Good Friday.

The Catholic Cathedral likewise had a full programme of services from Palm Sunday onwards and the traditional ceremony of washing of the feet was performed by Bishop H. Valtorta, Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong, on Friday morning. Holy Mass and general Communion began the day at all Catholic churches and the morning services ended with Pontifical Mass.

More than 3,000 persons attended the United Demonstration of Christian Witness on the vacant ground opposite the Alhambra Theatre on Good Friday morning.

The Bishop of Hongkong, Bishop Hall, took part in the service, and Brigadier W. Darby, Salvation Army, interpreted. The Rev. J. R. Higgs and the Rev. Tsang, Vicar of All Saints, conducted the service, Mr. G. A. Goodban reading the Lessons and the Rev. D. Rosenthal leading in prayer.

### Processed to Service

The audience, who made a striking scene as they proceeded from all parts of the mainland with banners and crosses, included representatives of St. Andrew's, Christ Church, Union Church (Kowloon), European Y. M. C. A., Chinese Y. M. C. A., Ying Wah College, Diocesan Boys' School, Diocesan Junior School, Penial Mission, Assemblies of God and the Alliance Children's Hostel.

In the evening of Friday, St. Andrew's Church, St. Andrew's Anglican Church and at the Hop Yai Church, Benham Road.

Easter Eve was marked by a three-hour service at the Catholic Cathedral and at the Rosary Church and St. Teresa's Church there was Blessing of the Fire, the Paschal Candle and the Baptismal Font.

Easter Sunday services at most churches commenced with early Communion and Mass and hymns of the Resurrection were sung.

### SPORTS AND HOLIDAY

Holidays from Friday to Monday were enjoyed by the majority of the population and the Easter Race Meeting was the main attraction. The Lawn Bowls season was once again held in the green though cricket still held interest by reason of the unsettled Second Division championship. Shield football was played on Saturday and to-day the Kowloon Soccer Cup will be decided between the Army and South China.

### ENGINEERS INSTITUTE

#### Loss on Year's Working But Membership Up

A loss on the year's working of \$2,004 is shown in the annual report of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, which held their 48th annual general meeting on Friday last at 8 p.m.

The report states that there were 340 members at the end of the year, 44 new members having been elected and 31 lost through different reasons.

The loss on working account was considerably more than for the previous year because \$754 new depreciation had been introduced on fittings and furniture. All bad debts had been written off and a new reserve of \$500 had been created. Entrance fees and Bar profits had increased by \$300 each, but subscriptions had fallen by \$250, and billiard receipts by \$221. Charges had gone up greatly.

The Institution's library had been thoroughly over-hauled. During 1938 some 8,800 books were borrowed.

Work on the renovation of the premises, undertaken with the hope of attracting more members, has been started on the authorisation of an Extraordinary General Meeting and should soon be completed.

### Runaway Stirs City

TULARE, Cal. This city had its first horse and buggy runaway in 20 years, when a venturesome youth drove in to town to attend a celebration. Scores of city youngsters saw a runaway for the first time in their lives.

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12.30 Mozart—Serenade in D Major and other Compositions. The Overture "Così fan tutte".... The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Adrian Boult. "The Marriage of Figaro"—The Letter Duet. Violoncello (Soprano) and Erna Berger (Soprano) with Orchestra. "Don Juan"—Give me thy hand, O faust.... Erna Berger (Soprano) and Heinrich Schlusman (Baritone) with Orchestra; Serenade in D Major, K.239. (Serenade No. 13.) "Idomeneo"—Sanfte Winde, folgt dem Teuren.... Vera Schwarz (Soprano) with Orchestra.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Latest Variety Numbers. Dance Orch.—You Started Something—Fox-Trot; If This is Only the Beginning—Fox-Trot; Billy Ter- rance's Rhythm with Vocal Refrain; Musical Comedy—Yes Madam; Intro. The Girl the Soldier Always Leaves Behind; What Are You Going to Do.... Vera Penree (Comedienne) Binnie Hale and Bobby Hovoes with The Hippodrome Theatre Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Spider of the Night; Tango; Madame, You're Lovely—Tango; Mantovani and His Tonic Orchestra; Piano Duet—Stars and Stripes (Sousa, arr. Rawicz and Landauer; Washington Post (Sousa, arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Rawicz and Landauer; Dance Orch.—Lullaby—Fox-Trot; Ferdinand the Bull—Fox-Trot (from the film).... Horace Held and His Band; Dance with Vocal by The Three Kings.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Patience". Overture.... Symphony Orchestra cond. by Malcolm Sargent; Twenty Love-locks—Maidens (from the film).... Fox-Trot; The Girl of the Year with Orchestra; Reel; Still Brooding On Their Mad Infatuation; I Cannot Tell What This Love May Be.... W. Lawson, N. Driessels, M. Eyre and Chorus of Girls with Orchestra; The Soldiers of Our Queen; If You Want a Receipt for That Popular Mystery.... Darrell Fancourt and Chorus of Dragons with Orchestra.

1.57 The Rosal, Lucienne Boyer and the Orchestra Raymonde. Orient Express (G. Mohr); Taming the Tiger (La Rocca).... Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) with Orchestra; Song of The Vagabonds (from The Vagabond King)—Friml; Only A Rose (from The Vagabond King)—Friml.... Orchestra Raymonde cond. by G. Walter.

2.30 Close Down.

3.0 "For the Children". Nursery Rhymes; Intro: Goosey, Goosey, Gander; Twinkle, twinkle, little star; Three Blind Mice; See-saw Marjory Daw; Little Tommy Tucker; What have you got for dinner, Mrs. Bond; London Bridge is broken down.... Uncle George's Party with Orchestra; The Adventures of Careless Charlie and Wilful William.... Uncle Charlie and Company with Orchestra and Effects; Little Man, You've Had A Busy Day (Sliger, Hoffman and Wayne).... Les Allen with Mrs. Allen and Norman Sidney Torch at the Organ.

6.30 Duke Ellington and His Orchestra. I'm Satisfied—Fox-Trot; Sumpt' Bout Rhythm—Fox-Trot; Rockin' in Rhythm—Fox-Trot; Jazz Convallaria—Fox-Trot; Truckin'—Fox-Trot (from "Cotton Club Parade").

6.45 London Relay—Music-Hall. Elsie Carlisle (The Popular Radio Star), Arthur Tracy (The Street Singer), Norman Long (A Song, a Joke, and a Piano) and The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra conducted by John Sharman.

7.50 Reginald Foort at the Organ. Second Serenade (Haydn); In A Monastery Garden (Kekeler); Sleep, My Little One (Hautzill-Rosenfeld); 8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Moskowak—"From Foreign Lands" Suite. Berlin State Opera Orchestra conducted by Clemens Schmalstieg. 8.15 London Relay—George and The Dragon by Dennis Parry. Characters: The Clerk of the Court; George Greengage; P.C. Evans; The Senior Magistrate; Mr. Hunter; Lord Power Fingleton; Ted; Arty; Landlord; Esme Phillips; Frankie Wilcock; The Production by Howard Rose. 9.0 The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band. Vanity Fair—Overture (Percy E. Fletcher); Malmagna (from "Boh-dill") (Moscowski-arr. Lake); La Carmelite De Echepagor (Roch Al-bert) conducted by Walton O'Donnell.

9.15 London Relay—The News. 9.30 Violin Solos by Temelanka. Rondo In A Major (Schubert). 9.45 London Relay—Market Notes and Sports News. 10.0 Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass). Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child (arr. L. Brown); Poem (Minstrel Man—Langston Hughes)... with Piano accom. by Lawrence Brown; Lullaby (from "Big Fella"); You Didn't Oughta Do Such Things (from "Big Fella").... with Orchestra cond. by Eric Ansell. 10.00 London Relay—In Town To-night. Edited and produced by C. F. Mc-nahan.

### Love Affair Blamed

Said to have escaped from a Moscow concentration camp and to be the son of a Russian nobleman, Michael Nestoroff, a 29-year-old decorator, was at London Sessions recently, sentenced to 21 months' hard labour for attempting to obtain a suit from a West End tailor by false pretences, and to stealing a cheque-book.

Nestoroff was said to have posed as "Edmond de Verelme," and to have told the tailor that he was spending £12,000 at the British Industries Fair.


Nestoroff told the court that many of his troubles were due to an unfortunate love affair.

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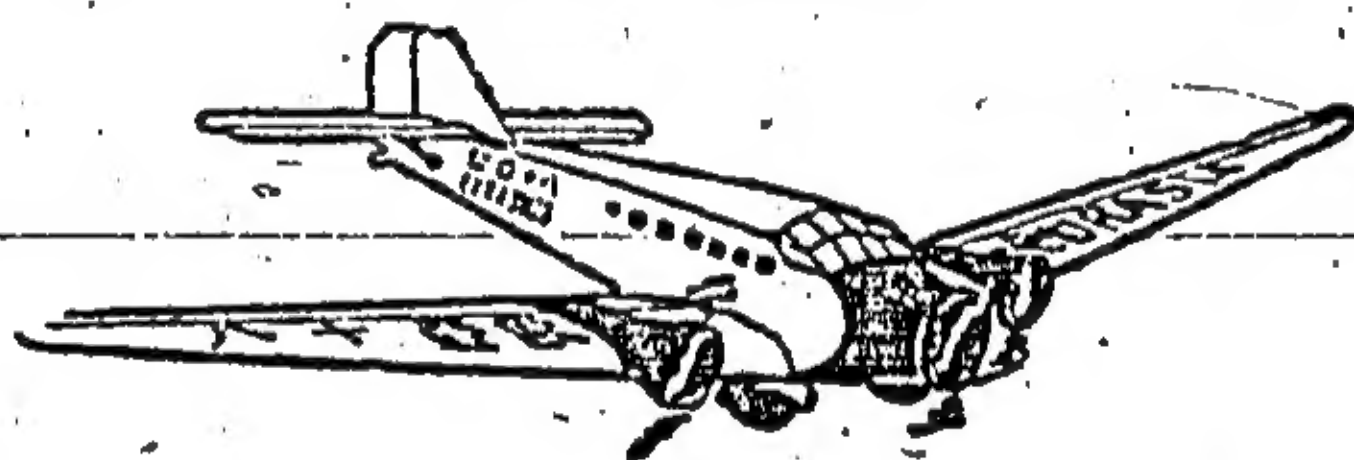
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No help will come to Tirana from anywhere. Not from Belgrade or Budapest, her neighbours. Not from London, not from Paris, not from Moscow. Tirana knows that.

In the Totalitarian States, law, justice, mercy do not exist. The sword exists, and the sword rules.

How far the two Totalitarians will go is not yet clear. In past months charges have been laid against the "Telegraph" for publishing "United Press" despatches regarding Hitler's and Mussolini's intentions in Europe. To-day we can give this American Agency credit for forecasting to the very date the German annexation of Moravia and Bohemia. It told us four days beforehand of Mussolini's intention of carrying the sword into Albania. It tells us this morning that within a week German troops will enter Danzig. We pray that this latter prediction is wrong—for Danzig means war.

What is now apparent is that the dictators will demand the acknowledgment of their mastery, obedience to their authority in neighbouring states. Totalitarianism is always aggressive. It possesses a foreign policy which demands sacrifices from others—sacrifices of treaty rights, of territory.

How it goes further. It demands power—power for its own sake, for the sheer pleasure of exercising it. The material concession, the instruction accepted, are secondary.

It is the act of submission, the salute of slave to master, for which the dictators lust. You recall that Hitler made triumphant entries into Prague and Memel as soon as they fell to the Nazi sword. You read that Mussolini plans the same entry to-day into Tirana.

The conquered must cry "Hell Hitler", "Viva, Il Duce."

No grievance, true or false, matters. The humiliation of brave opponents, that is what is wanted.

Who will be next?

**Whether they lose their partners by  
divorce or death—**

**3 out of 5  
marry again**

**AND if I had my time over again I'd never marry you. I wouldn't marry anybody. What I say is, what d'you get out of it? I'd be much better off on my own."**

Sounds familiar, doesn't it? You must have heard it before. Every married woman says that, and every husband thinks it some time. For some couples it's the staple topic of conversation.

But for several thousand men and women this situation is at this moment a real problem to be faced. Death or divorce has smashed up their marriages, and they've got to start again.

So what do they do? Do they do what they used to call the sensible thing, say good-bye to all that, and start enjoying an independent life, free to do what they like if they can pay for it?

No, sir. No, ma'am. That's not how they feel, and that's not how you'd feel. Instead of that they're just itching to get married again. Sixty-two per cent. of divorced persons remarry, two in three men very soon after the decree is made absolute.

And for people who lose their partners by death—provided they're not very old—the remarrying figure is about the same.

When you're married you may feel tied down, and desperately want to run away. But without a wife, or more especially without a husband, you feel futile, unwanted.

Marriage is a crazy way out by a lot of material standards; but it's catching. Once you start you can't stop.

LOOK at the divorce side of it first. You know the sort of people who get divorced. They say there's a fool in every marriage, there's usually one in a divorce. But the people who can't get along in marriage are pretty keen to try it again, even the back-alley neurotics who keep the divorce court lawyers prosperous.

The divorced men are mostly in the services (22 per cent.), the artistic professions (18 per cent.), the leisured classes (16 per cent.), or commercial travellers (14 per cent.).

Four out of five divorced women marry bachelors. They are usually between twenty-five and thirty-five, and they marry men about the same age.

Are these second marriages happy? It's difficult to say—but how many people do you know who go through the divorce courts twice? Not many, I think.

NOW listen to this letter written by a widow. It will give you some idea of how a lot of people live.

"I'm a widow, living entirely alone, comfortably off, but still the loneliness is terrible to bear.

"I visit friends, which breaks the monotony, but when they've gone, or I've returned once more to the house, I'm nervous and alone. There's a long evening before me; not occasionally, but always, year in year out for nearly seven years."

Plenty of that kind of letter every day.

Plenty of widows and widowers facing loneliness now. Death rates are highest in the first quarter of the year, and the flu epidemic helped them up.

How do widows set about carrying their cross?

Some go gay, like in the music-hall gags. But not many of them shock the neighbours and slip out in saloon bars.

Most look around for what is coyly referred to as Number 2.

Their chances of remarriage are much better than they were.

SINCE 1900 the eligible age of a widow has been lengthened by five years.

But they have a lot of troubles. Men think them fair game, and women suspect them of stealing their men.

They must find widowers sympathetic. Rather more than half the widows who get married marry widowers. In 1935, 7,931 married widows, 7,248 married bachelors.

The average widow has a pretty thin time. Not many men leave enough to keep their wives in comfort.

They aren't trained for the well-paid jobs. Being able to run a house doesn't mean much in the labour market.

Here is the result of a questionnaire sent to thirty-eight of them asking them to describe themselves and what they did.

Seven of them have their own businesses, six others are in jobs. The others have nothing to do but run a half-empty home.

The questionnaire was sent to people of all classes, and if you come to think of it, the result is just about what you'd expect. Look around the wives you know and you'll find about one in three who seems capable of getting and doing a job.

The average widow described herself this way: Brown hair, medium figure, height about five feet four inches, fond of music and the open air. Sounds a bit odd; doesn't it? But that's what they said.

Their ages range from thirty to fifty-seven. The youngest described herself as height five feet three inches, fair complexion, brown hair, medium figure, employed as a lady's help in London.

SHE wants to marry a kind-hearted man, has no objection to a widower with children. But she'll probably marry a bachelor a year younger than herself. Young widows (average age thirty-nine) usually do that, according to the Blue-books.

The oldest one has a medium figure, dresses well, is healthy, likes home and outdoor life, owns an hotel near London. Her ideal: a cheerful, steady man about her own age, with a sufficient income.

But she'll probably marry a widower several years older than herself. Older widows (average age fifty) usually marry widowers five years older than themselves. Young widows have a certain glamour which pulls in the bachelors, but it's wearing a bit thin by the time they get into the fifties.

WIDOWS don't seem to be out for adventure. They want men who are steady, quiet, home-loving, loyal, sincere, cheerful.

They don't seem very fussy, though one of them bars beards, one or two ask for TTs.

That's what they want. Now let's see what they get.

Take a look at the widowers: 24,267 widowers got married in 1935; two out of three of them married spinsters, the rest of them widows.

HERE'S how forty-two widowers replied when they were asked to describe themselves.

They're mostly quiet sort of men, five feet eight inches high. Only ten of them go in for sport, dancing, and a lot of social life. The others mostly describe themselves as steady and home-loving, which ought to suit the widows.

They don't want to marry young girls, they want some one about thirty-five. Only six want their wives to be under thirty, and they are young themselves.

The youngest is thirty-one, with fair complexion, dark brown hair, medium build, athletic, fond of all sport. He is even-tempered, quiet, home-loving. And getting £1,000 a year.

He wants a well-educated, attractive girl, medium height and figure, well dressed, fond of golf, tennis, even-tempered and affectionate.

He's likely to get more or less what he wants. His income is no drawback. And up to forty-six widowers usually marry spinsters.

THE oldest one is a J.P., height five feet ten inches, slim, upright, grey hair, aquiline features, intelligent, alert, youthful manner. He's a good mixer, travelled, tolerant. His £400 a year income is increasing and he wants to meet a healthy and active woman of thirty-five to fifty-five. She must be a good hostess, have a sweet disposition and an income for her own use.

He'll probably get a widow. Elderly widowers (average age fifty-five) usually do.

Anthony Cotterell

**MR. PEPYS IN HONGKONG**

March 23rd.—This day, being now seven days since my dentist did draw my teeth, I do persuade my chyrurgeon that hee doth discharge mee from the Hospital, after some five weeks, and so, I having more leisure, it seems fitting I should resume writing in my diary and so I doe once more take up my pen. But Lord! affairs doe seem so parous in Europe that I am in some doubt how far I may continue therein. For this day comes news of the occupation of Memel and what shall come of it all I know not. Home betimes and to my chamber where all seems as before, but the garden is ruined by the fogge which makes mee sad at heart.

24th.—This night to the Queen's Picture House with Mistress Marjory where wee doe see the "Citadel." And it is a fine picture but Lord! I doe rejoice not to have seen it before the chyrurgeons did cut mee last year. And there I saw a many of the craft who did, as it seemed,

take it somewhat amiss. A long picture and wee dined not until ten of the clock.

25th.—Up betimes but it is an ill day and later the rain falls heavily, so that I must needs go home and so fall to reading by the fire and so early to bed.

26th.—Much fogge and as I walk in the garden I find all ruined save the daffodils and roses which doe pretty well to my great pleasure. But the bulbs of last year doe fall of flowering and I perceive that all must be treated as annuals here. Reading by the fire and again early to bed.

27th.—Reading in the news sheets this day I doe find little comfort in Signor Mussolini's speech, when he doth declare his belief in arms. And I am minded of the saying that those who take the sword shall perish by the sword. But it is told in history that Dictators can but maintain themselves by martial success as Napoleon did and

as Louis Napoleon did not in the Franco-Russian war. Very busy in my office and so home and to bed.

28th.—All day ordering my papers and offer to drink wine with Mr. D. at Wong-Nee Chong-gap and there after to Lyeemum where is a rout held by the Officers there, and much good company. There I fell talking with a gentleman who did play in the last venture of the Amateur Dramatic Club, and wee doe speak of plays for the summer. But Mr. John being gone I know not who will produce. Home with Mr. Caldwell in his motor coach and did dine with him.

30th.—These last two days very busy with my Dentist and Lord! how I do hate it all. News comes. This day comes news that the great shippe Canton is in collision with the Felix Roussel but Goebee pulled both ships safe and none hurt. But it seems the Canton was struck amid-ships and must into dock, and it is rumoured that the Chitral will be turned about and take on her passengers and so forth. But in truth it seems her fortune is pretty ill as upon her maiden voyage she did touch the mud in the flames.

31st.—At last comes news that the war in Spain is over after well nigh three years. And I trust the war-torn country may now get repose and the Spanish nation find ite again. And all do wait to see if the Italian volunteers doe go home again.

April 1st.—The Canton is come into port with a great rush in her side and to-morrow the Chitral sails for home, the first time I ever doe remember a P. & O. to sayle on a Sunday. To Kowloon to see the Recluse play the Navy at Cricket and though they strike pretty ill their two chyrurgeons Mr. H. Ozorio and Mr. E. Gossno doe deliver them, bowling mighty well. This night to the University dinner where we of Cambridge, doe jete mightily with Oxford, wee having won the boat-race. A pleasant dinner but Lord! I doe find none of the younger men doe come forth and sing as their elders doe. Home pretty late by motor hackney and so to bed.

2nd.—(Lord's Day) A strange day, hot and foggy in the forenoon and a great storm of rain at luncheon after the which it grows cold but is clearer. Mistress Daisy to luncheon and after she plays with my godson John David, who approves her mightily. 3rd.—This day my dentist doth sit my teeth and it is I believe a handy piece of craftsmanship as it doth take me some minutes to remove them and ten to replace them. But I am mighty glad to find I can hold my tobacco-pipe. To the Temple to take a farewell glass of wine with (Continued on Page 11.)

**GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty**



"Mind your manners, son—either offer the lady your seat or pretend you're asleep!"







# LOCAL CRICKET BECOMES MUCH TOO STEREOTYPED

## "WANTS MORE THAN REFORM: WANTS REVOLUTION"

(By "R. Abbot")

On Saturday last the K.C.C. second eleven evidently decided that so dull a season had better die right off and by beating the Police made themselves sure of the second Division Shield by at least half a point. The game, which is to be described by another hand, is reminiscent of the deciding match in the first Division. Both were extraordinarily low scoring matches, and Kowloon's one hundred and four was the only three figure innings of the four played out. It was typical of the run of cricket at present.

It would appear, however, that there is more keen vitality displayed in the second Division. The Police, whose defeat on Saturday relegated them to fifth place have the distinction of showing a record of nine matches all completed. It is good work to get along with cricket in that definite way. Had they won their last match they would have led the field and would only have been beaten by the University. And that reminds me, I sincerely hope that the one outstanding game in the second Division between the Navy and the Varsity will give the latter the honourable position of runners-up, only half a point behind the winners. If we count the match with the L.C.C. as a tie.

There also remains the game between the Civil Service and Army to be played, and upon this depends their respective placings in the first Division. I should like to see it played out but as I remember of a game winners v. the Rest, I suppose it will fall through. Personally I have always thought this a particularly stupid game. There is no real interest in it as the Rest side is not a "team" at all, and, as often as not, quite unrepresentative of the strength of the rest of the Colony. Personally I would prefer to see the final game be one between the mainland and the island, residential qualifications to count and using the ordinary interplot rules of eligibility. Possibly if the game became popular, caps might be awarded, though I am not very much in favour of this.

### INTERPLOT MATCHES

And this leads up to my main point and that is the urgent necessity for the resumption of interplot matches. Of course, cricket should be a good enough sport in itself and not necessarily require the spur of competition. But that is, in these days and in this place, a counsel of perfection. You cannot get away from it that cricket is a game played under the best conditions here. The time is too short, for our days close down soon and they do at home where it is often possible to play to seven-thirty. (Mem: that whatever its drawbacks "summer time here" would be a godsend to cricket.) Then again the weather is not so pleasant as in England—though admittedly that can be pretty blood-curdling. The wickets out here too are not particularly good. This does not matter to most of us but it does put off the really good batsman and I can think of a good many who have come out here in the past twenty years and have lost a good deal of enthusiasm for the game.

### COUNTER ATTRACTIONS

But of all the difficulties which face cricket the fact that it has to compete with football (and sailing) during its season presents the greatest. It so often happens that a really useful and keen Club Cricketer comes out and finds in October that he has to make the choice between Rugger (or Soccer less frequently) and cricket. If he is young he almost certainly plumps for Rugger and I should be the last to say that he is wrong. But the trouble is that three or four seasons of Rugger rot him out of cricket and he either turns to golf or takes his cricket in a very casual way. I can think of some horrible examples. Of course, it must not be forgotten that—sad as it is—cricket does not seem to take the same hold on the young Englishman as it used to do. When he has left school he can always get a game of tennis close at hand, usually with attractive female society. And he does not want to take the fog to travel often long distances in strictly bachelor society to get his cricket. What the young generation is now I don't know. But taking it by and large after the war the bright youth who played tennis and liked to have his tea brought to him by an adoring bevy of attractive maidens was far too common. As a war product I think he has dropped out. But his successors don't play cricket as much or as keenly as when I was a youngster.

### TOO STEREOTYPED

Finally, there is one point. As times go on the local cricketer is coming more and more to the fore and, though his cricket is alright, he is not yet, except in a few cases, an administrator. Nor is he entirely beyond requiring a little sage advice now and then. I do not say this in any deprecating way, but I think that cricketers want to be much better organized than they are. It is becoming rather too stereotyped. For instance I think I am right in saying that in

### Von Cramm Wins Tennis Title

Alexandria, Apr. 9.  
Baron Gottfried von Cramm, German tennis ace, to-day won the Egyptian singles championship when he beat W. D. McNeill of America in the final by 7-5, 6-2, 6-8, 6-2.  
The women's title went to Miss Curtis of Great Britain, who beat Miss J. R. Harman of Ireland in the final by 6-2, 6-4.—Reuter.

the last quarter of a century only four names have appeared as captains of the H.K.C.C. Very worthy ones of course. But there you are. The only hope for cricket that I can see is in the League Committee. It wants more than reform; it wants revolution. It reminds me of some creature which my natural history primer taught me used to come up so breathe once a year—I forget the name, and perhaps it is as well. All I can say is that I sincerely hope that the Committee will hold several "open" meetings and discuss publicly this question of League fixtures, and all other arrangements. I give them full credit for this year's attempt. But I should have felt happier about it had I not known that they never even consulted the Navy, who with the Army are more concerned than anyone else. Let us thresh things out.

## "Capt. Foster" Selects The Following:

(By "Captain Foster")

There are ten races down for to-day's meeting and my selections are as follows:

### EASTER STAKES

Rose Elect  
King's Warden  
Bear Claw

### CALLIPE HANDICAP

Vixen Tor  
Derby Day  
Criffel

### KELLET HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Rose Jane  
Jennifer  
Musketier

### BOA VISTA HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Sylvandale  
Flybynight  
Valorous

### COOLGARDIE STAKES

Murrumbidgee  
A Roaring Time  
National Victory

### KELLET HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

King's Lead  
Scorio View  
Rose-Queen

### SUGAR LOAF STAKES

Kut Cheung  
Talkative  
Charcoal

### CADRAMATTA HANDICAP

A Great Time  
Murray River  
Stratherrick

### BOA VISTA HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Golden Cow  
This Time  
Racing Boy

### POKFULAM STAKES

Sports Venture  
Smiling Time  
Millcay

### DAILY DOUBLE EVENT

Murrumbidgee/Kut Cheung



After their horse had thrown them during the Grand National, two amateur riders, Captain P. Herbert and Mr. A. Marsh, climbed on to the back of Scotch Wood, Captain Herbert's mount, and rode home, Captain Herbert riding pillion. Red Millman's jockey, E. Foley, a brother in grief, took his place at his horse's head, and the procession ended its mournful way homeward from Becher's Brook.

## KOWLOON JUNIORS WORTHY CHAMPIONS: WIN DECIDING GAME

THE winning of the junior cricket league by Kowloon Cricket Club for the second time in three years, was accomplished on Saturday after one of the most interesting and colourful games of the season. The champions beat the Police at Happy Valley by 29 runs, after themselves losing five wickets for a paltry 15 runs.

The match was a personal achievement for W. L. McKenzie, one of the season's most successful all-round players. McKenzie followed up his glorious fighting knock of 32 with some accurate bowling which carried the visitors to victory, and brought for himself the excellent analysis of 5 for 30 in 11.4 overs.

Before play began, the setting was perfect for a dramatic championship. K.C.C. headed the table with 16 points from eight

matches. Police held 15 points from the same number of games. An outright win for the visitors meant title; if the Police won it would mean a draw, and the University would have to win their final game against the Navy to displace the Police.

On a fast matting wicket, the Police, winning the toss, quite naturally sent K.C.C. in to bat, and immediate and dramatic success came their way. In Fay's opening over he had Broadbridge given out for obstruction, though the decision appeared highly doubtful, and then he cleared bowled Madar with a fast Yorker. Mulcahy gathered five and then went to another speedy Yorker from Fay. Goodbar went in and out, and just as Fay appeared to be shaping well, he was deceived by Pope's swift Yorker and five wickets were down for 15 runs.

It looked as though the Police were to enjoy their easiest victory of the season.

### RECOVERY

But with McKenzie and Gray associated, a gradual change came over the game. McKenzie played a dead bat to the accurate and good length deliveries of Pope and Fay, while Gray shaped with plenty of confidence, using his feet to "kill" the better length balls, and scoring off the loose ones. Very slowly the score was taken to the 50 mark, and then Gray made a poor stroke to a half volley from Carey and was well caught by Pope at cover-point. His knock of 17 was a useful contribution in taking away the sting from the Police attack, which for the first five overs had been deadly keen.

McKenzie continued to play right and left and quite rightly made no attempt to rush things. He found a good helpmate in Taylor, and when McKenzie was finally bowled by Stephens he had scored 32, and had seen the total advance to past the 80 mark.

The visitors' tail continued to wag vigorously. Dand going in to collect an invaluable 14 in quick time, including five from an overthrow, and finally the innings closed for a fairly respectable score of 104.

### POPE OVERWORKED

Although the Police attack was splendid, Pope was obviously overworked. He bowled one spell of 15 overs, and although he was highly effective at the start, he naturally tired and became vulnerable. Used in shorter spells he might have taken off cheaper wickets than 3 for 32.

Fay bowled brilliantly in his first spell, maintaining an ideal length, and coming off the pitch at lightning speed. But Carey was the most successful bowler from the point of view of figures, his three wickets costing only seven runs. He bowled four maidens out of seven overs. But one could not help feeling he was a trifle tired. Two of his wickets were the outcome of poor strokes from bad balls, and lots of loose ones on the leg side which begged to be hit to the boundary were allowed to go harmlessly to the wicketkeeper.

On the face of it Police were sitting pretty when, with the better part of two hours at their disposal, they found it was necessary to score

## SOUTH CHINA PLAY ARMY TO-DAY Kotewall Cup Football

Following their successes in representative matches this season and their victory in the Senior Shield Final on Saturday, South China A.A. should start favourites to-day in the second game of the Kotewall Cup against the Army on the Navy ground at 4 p.m.

The Chinese are fielding a full team for the encounter, Lee Wai-long being included in the line-up as centre-forward. With his presence, another good "gate" is assured. The Army have made several changes in their team, several junior players having been selected. It will be interesting to see how they fare against the tried Chinese combination. The intermediates, for instance, are all junior players, consisting of Rides (R.A.C.C.), Shaw (R.E.) and May (R.A.). The back divisions and the forward line are filled by players who have taken part in representative matches before.

In the first match of the present series, Navy defeated the Army by 3-1.

### THE TEAMS

The following are the teams:  
Army: Duncan (Royal Scots); Fraser (Royal Scots) and Sheehan (Middlesex); Rides (Ordinance Corps); Shaw (R.E.) and May (R.A.); Emberson (Ordinance Corps); Courtney (Middlesex) and Duffield (Ordinance Corps).  
Reserves: Moxham (R.E.), Corbin (R.A.), Wilkinson (Middlesex); Guy (R.A.), Flinders (R.A.), McDonald (R. Scots) and Lang (Ordinance Corps).  
South China: Pau Ka-ping; Lee Tin-sang and Mak Shu-hon; Lau Yung-chol, Leung Wing-chiu and Lee Kwok-wai; Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-long, Lai Shu-wing and Lau Tau-man.

but 105 to win. On a small ground, and in view of the fact that the visitors were without their two pace bowlers—Luke and Simpson, the task appeared to be well within their province. A confident start was made by Carey and Loughlin, but the former was tempted to hit wildly to a length ball from McKenzie and was well taken by Madar at cover with the total at seven. Clarke and Loughlin started to dig themselves in, but just as the latter looked like making some runs he fell to a smart piece of stumping by Dand.

### SERIOUS REVERSE

The second wicked fell at 20, but then the Police suffered their really serious reverse. Fay, whose batting has been a feature this season, faced Ley who had been brought on for Taylor and was utterly beaten by the third ball, playing back too late to one that went through quickly. Clarke went next, well beaten by one of McKenzie's best deliveries, and by this time the game was very open. However, Stephens and Pope became associated and at one stage really looked as though they would pull the game round for the homesters. Stephens shaped extremely well and off-drove McKenzie, while Pope turned the left-hand bowler to leg for four. The half century was hoisted, and then Stephens fell a victim to a brilliant ball from McKenzie.

Hunter and Oakley both went cheaply, and as soon as Pope had been clean bowled by Taylor with one that kept very low and just took the off peg, it was clear that the match was all over but the shouting. McKenzie polished off the innings by taking the last two wickets, and (Continued on Page 9.)

## SOUTH CHINA "A" WIN SENIOR SHIELD ONCE AGAIN

### Police Unlucky to Lose By 5-3 Margin

(By "Abe")

When the Police led 2-0 at one stage of the Senior Shield Final against South China "A" on the Club ground on Saturday, there must have been a great many people who saw visions of a surprising upset. I was one of them.

Not because of the Police lead, but rather because of the manner in which the Chinese were playing. The tenacious methods employed by the officers of the law succeeded in unsettling the usually smooth combination of the Chinese to an extent which few had expected, and it only the defence had been a trifle steadier, the Police might have come out of the game winners instead of losers by 5-3.

Several factors contributed to the haphazard form of the Chinese in the early stages of the encounter. First, Pau Ka-ping, in goal, had a bad knock, and the situation was made worse by Lee Tin-sang putting the ball through his own goal.

Over a period of 15 years, I am told, Lee Tin-sang has never been known to score against his own side; yet he had to open the account in a Shield Final.

The absence of Mak Shu-hon from his usual position at right back forced the Chinese to play Lee on the right and to bring Lee Kwok-wai in at left back. But the move was never a success. Lee was uncomfortable on the right and played far below his usual form.

Then Pau fumbled a slow shot and Fung Kwong-chol, following up, had only to put the ball into an untenanted goal.

### POLICE TWO UP

Two goals up after 20 minutes' play! Who would not have fancied the Police chances?

Though fairness compels one to admit that both these goals were the result of defensive errors, yet during all this while the Police were on top of their opponents.

Luck, however, took a hand in the game at this stage. The Chinese were obviously worried and with their confidence shaken, they did not look impressively at all. But they defended stoutly, albeit desperately, and kept the Police forwards at bay. Then rather against the run of play, Fung King-cheong worked his way through to reduce the arrears with a fine cross shot. To add to the Police tale of woe, North handled the ball

in the penalty area, and Lai Shu-wing scored from the spot-kick. The scores were level.

In the second half, the Police half-backs were not as steady as they had been in the first. Passes which had been intercepted before now found their way with greater regularity, and with the two Chinese wingers taking a more intense interest in the game, the Police defenders were given a gruelling time. But the backs remained steadfast, and Blackbourne was responsible for some splendid work.

### POLICE LOSE DASH

At this stage, however, it was evident that whilst the Chinese were gradually settling down, the Police had lost a bit of their dash. Had Howlett's goal been allowed, there might have been a difference in the morale of the side; but he was ruled off-side.

Then the Chinese went ahead, a pass from Lee Yan-leung finding Lai Shu-wing unmarked and the latter scored. But the Police came back again with the best goal of the match, Wong Man-kai taking a first-time shot which beat Pau all the way.

Though the issue was in doubt, the Chinese went further in the lead. Lee Yan-leung taking advantage of an error by Chan Kwong-yue to slip through to beat McHardy. Tang Kwong-sum made the match safe for the Chinese in the closing stages, his free-kick outside the penalty being deflected into the Police goal.

On the day's play, the Police did not deserve to lose by the margin of 5-3. For long periods they were on top.

The standard of football, however, was rather poor on the whole. There was too much kick and rush about the play for the match to earn the approval of the purist, but there is no denying that it was exciting.

Police. — McHardy, Blackburn, Chan Kwong-yue, North, Brittain, Parker, Wong Man-kai, Howlett, Fung Kwong-chol, Ferrier, Moss.

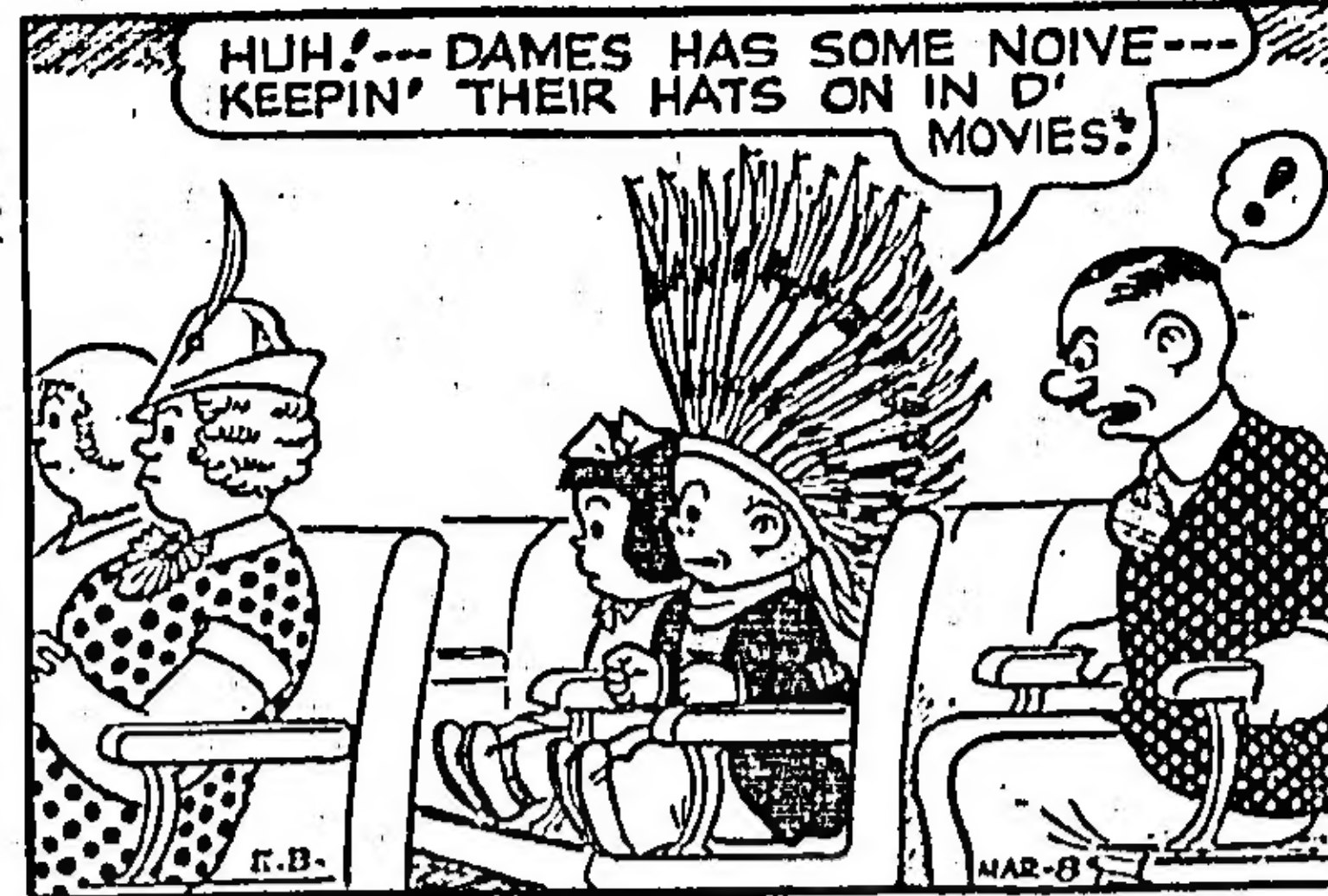
South China "A". — Pau Ka-ping; Lee Tin-sang, Lee Kwok-wai, Kwok Yung-chol, Leung Wing-chiu, Lau Yung-chol; Tang Kwong-sum, Lee Yan-leung, Fung King-cheong, Lai Shu-wing, Lau Tau-man.



An exciting incident in front of the Police goal in the Senior Shield Final match on Saturday when South China "A" defeated the guardians of the peace by five goals to three. McHardy, the Police custodian, jumps out to clear in fine style, harassed by a Chinese forward.—Staff Photographer.



## NANCY



## 100,000 CUP FINAL TICKETS THIS YEAR

## ONLY FEW AVAILABLE FOR TRAVEL AGENCIES

London, March 21.

As the F.A. Cup Final draws nearer, the question of tickets becomes more and more important. Here are some facts on who gets them, what they cost, and what chance the ordinary man has of getting one.

Unless you are a supporter of a football club and buy your tickets through that club, there is little use trying to obtain one. Of the 100,000 available, 25 per cent go to the two clubs in the Final. This is an increase on last year owing to the additional accommodation.

The remaining 75 per cent are divided proportionately among the First, Second and Third Division clubs, the county football associations and other amateur clubs.

A very small percentage indeed go to the travel agencies. Mr. Arthur Elvin, chief at Wembley, has a personal list of his own.

## GUINEA TICKETS

People who are fairly rich grumble because they do not support a football club, so an agency is their only hope—a faint hope.

What they don't realise is that there are literally thousands of amateur clubs who must have tickets for their members. And 100,000 soon mounts up. Football followers—not people with riches—are entered for in the Cup Final.

Every ticket has now been allocated, and will be sent off during the first week in April. The authorities will know the name of every ticket-holder at Wembley.

If you have a ticket this year, your name will still be received fifteen years hence. Mr. Elvin has had a lot of fun over this.

## CAREFUL CHECK

"People write to me," he said, "telling me how grateful they were for those four tickets I sold them for the final four years ago. Then they ask for four more. A check-up of the list four years ago shows that I never sold them any tickets at all!"

## KOWLOON SECONDS TRIUMPH

(Continued from page 8.)

with them the winning of the league by the K.C.C. for the second time.

White, perhaps, the Police batting was a trifle disappointing. It would be idle to pretend that McKenzie, Taylor and Lay did not bowl exceedingly well. McKenzie, for the most part maintained an impenetrable length, and his only shortcoming was an inclination to bowl on the leg side. But while he was able to pitch on the middle and off he had to be watched very closely, and for several of the batsmen, was unplayable.

## WORTHY CHAMPIONS

Taylor gave him first-class support from the other end, and did not send down more than three loose balls, while Lay, used very judiciously by Mulcahy, obtained two valuable wickets.

K.C.C. fielding was keen and little was given away. Only one catch was dropped—a hard chance by Pope to Dand behind the stumps. But the

## Racing Handicaps For To-day

The following are the handicaps arranged by the Hongkong Jockey Club for the events at Happy Valley to-day:

**Easter Stakes Handicap.** One Mile. (140). King's Warden (148), Moonlight View (140), Rose Elect (158) and Royal Scot (140).

Note.—If "Rose Elect" does not accept, the following weights will apply:

Bear Claw (150), Eve of Harvest (148), King's Warden (148), Moonlight View (140) and Royal Scot (140).

**Kellett Handicap.** "C" Class. (First Section.) One Mile.—Blue Diamond (155), Celtic Star (151), English Cavalier (161), Forgotten Star (161), Galveston Bay (160), Jennifer (160), King Kong (148), Lovely Star (151), Marksman (barred), Musketeer (152), Rose Emily (158), Rose Evelyn (155), Rose Jane (158) and Tyne (140).

**Kellett Handicap.** "C" Class. (Second Section.) One Mile.—Amberley (153), Bistre (150), Bright View (150), Gold Coin (140), King's Lead (153), Laughing Girl (153), Night View (140), Rose-Queen (148), Scenic View (159) and Wild Cat (140).

**Bon Vista Handicap.** "D" Class. (First Section.) From the two mile post, once round and in.—Advancing Time (161), Chatterbox (148), Double Chance (barred), Ebony Idol (147), Fluffy-night (143), Gold Sovereign (143), Jangle Jim (161), Plain View (142), Portrush (155), Royal Highness (145), Strathbannock (161), Sylvandale (160) and Valorous (162).

**Bon Vista Handicap.** "D" Class. (Second Section.) From the two mile post, once round and in.—Fel Yng (146), Golden Cow (163), Good Morning (150), Racing Boy (150), Silver Star (150), Starlet (153), Tobby Cat (140), Tempest (150), This Time (163), Tribute (barred) and Willynilly (150).

fact that seven batsmen were clean bowled indicates that the bowlers could not be hit very much.

K.C.C. will not be denied the value of their success. Although a rather mediocre looking side before the league programme started, they became an impressive team in January, and from the start figured prominently in the contest for the championship. They wound the programme up in dazzling fashion, winning the last three matches, and they are the only team to have gone through the league schedule without suffering defeat.

Mulcahy's able captaincy, backed by resolute team spirit, and the ability of one or another of the players to "come off" enabled the Kowloon eleven to come from behind and win the shield in the face of keen competition.

## Bowls

## C. B. HOSKING HONOURED AT KOWLOON B. G. C.

A happy function took place at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday, when Mr. C. B. Hosking, the popular honorary secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association, was the recipient of a farewell gift from the Association. He was presented with a set of new woods.

The presentation was made by Dr. J. T. Smalley, Vice-President of the Lawn Bowls Association, who was introduced to the gathering by Mr. S. M. White, Secretary of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. Mr. White welcomed Dr. Smalley, and said they were all glad to see him recovered from his recent accident.

Dr. Smalley thanked Mr. White for his kind words, and before making the presentation, wished all the bowls teams in the different leagues a very happy season.

He said that the gift was a token of the deep gratitude of the Association for all Mr. Hosking had done during the past four years in his capacity as honorary secretary of the Association (Applause). Mr. Hosking had had a very busy time, especially last year, when Shanghai paid the Colony a visit. The secretary's job at any time was a thankless task, and Dr. Smalley thanked Mr. R. P. Phillips for taking up the secretariatship.

He hoped that the woods would remind Mr. Hosking of his friends in



Mr. C. B. Hosking, for several years Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association, will be proceeding to England on transfer on Saturday. He was given a farewell match by members of the Kowloon B.G.C. yesterday. This picture was taken during the match.—Mae Cheung.

Hongkong after he had left the Colony. (Applause).

Thanking the Association for its gift, Mr. Hosking said he had spent four happy years here. The secretariatship had been interesting and good work, and he thought it was a fine thing that the Colony should be able to have an organized Association. Since he had taken over the post, there had been additional teams in the leagues, and he hoped that when he came back to Hongkong in 1941 (as he hoped to do) there would be four leagues functioning. If that was so, he would be more than glad to give Mr. Phillips all the help he could when he returned. (Applause).

Mr. Hosking was also the recipient of two further gifts from his personal friends in the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. Making the presentations of a blackwood tray bound in silver, and a silver beer mug humorously inscribed, Mr. T. R. Robson, President of the Club, said:

"After six years in the Colony, our friend Mr. Hosking, leaves us, probably for good, next Saturday. I can assure him that he takes with him the sincere wishes of his many friends in this Club. We wish him good luck in his new billet at home, and with him, Mrs. Hosking and Diana, good health and happy landings in the old country."

"To remind them of their happy association with this Club, I ask him now to accept from his own personal friends, and a certain little school in this Club who will always be

## HONGKONG LADIES' HOCKEY INTERPORT TEAM WIN MATCHES

Shanghai, Apr. 8.

Hongkong women's Interport hockey team secured their third success in the annual hockey series against the Shanghai Women's Hockey Association at Kiaschow Park to-day when they won by four clear goals, after dominating the second half of the encounter.

Hongkong's superiority in nearly all departments of the game was most marked. Though Shanghai attacked furiously in the second half, they lacked a final punch.

Hongkong's defence was excellent, and they repeatedly broke up Shanghai attacks with first time methods. Miss I. Woolley, at centre-half, proving a tower of strength, receiving excellent support from her wing halves Mrs. I. Stone and Miss H. Reid.

An outstanding feature of the play was the fine stickwork of the visiting team, who were also faster on the ball, and backed up by their splendid half-back trio, made the closing stages, despite added pressure by the home eleven.

**Hongkong's First Goal**  
In the 27th minute of the first half, Miss Barker placed the Colony in the lead when she snapped up a ball from a crowd of players.

Play was very close and thrilling, but Hongkong's better stickwork and faster tackling and running made them a superior combination. Mrs. Dalziel increased the score for Hongkong in the fourth minute of the second half, when the ball rebounded off the Shanghai goalkeeper's pads.

Spectators were given their biggest thrill, however, in the 13th minute of the second half when Mrs. Burnell, Hongkong's star, took the ball through the Shanghai defence from the halfway mark to net a glorious goal.

Hongkong crowded on the pressure, and 11 minutes later Miss Westcott, probably the fastest left-winger playing hockey on the China coast, outpaced the Shanghai defence from the halfway mark to net a glorious goal.

Reuter says that Mrs. Reid, one of the surprise selections of the Colony team, scored two of the goals.

## REST OF SHANGHAI

The Hongkong ladies' hockey team beat the Rest of Shanghai by four goals to two to-day. The half time score was two nil in favour of Shanghai.

Hongkong recovered early in the second half, keeping the play always in the Shanghai half. Miss Barker scored twice for Hongkong, and Mrs. Reid the remaining two goals, coming a few minutes before the final whistle.—Reuter.

United Press adds that Hongkong made a brilliant rally in the second half with a series of powerful onslaughts, resulting in Miss Barker and Mrs. Reid scoring four goals between them. Scorers for Shanghai were Amanda da Silva and Irene Orhmerger.

## RESULTS TO DATE

1934-35 Hongkong 1-0

1935-36 Hongkong 1-0

1936-37 Drawn 2-2

After extra time:

The following players have scored goals in the Ladies' Interport hockey series:

For Hongkong:

Miss Marie Smith ("Y" Ladies) 2

Miss M. Woolley (C.B.A. Ladies) 1

Miss P. Gittins (St. Andrew's) 1

For Shanghai:

Miss M. Sheridan (Greens) 2

Indebted to him, these tokens of their regard and remembrance of happy times together in the Kowloon Bowling Green Club." (Applause).

Mr. Hosking expressed his thanks for the gifts in a brief and humorous reply, and said that despite all Mr. Robson had said of his leaving the Colony for good, he hoped, if he could "wangle" it, to be back in Hongkong in 1941.

Prior to the presentation, a farewell bowls match in honour of Mr. Hosking was played between clubs captained by Mr. Hosking and Mr. Robson respectively, and resulted in a win for Mr. Hosking's rink by a wide margin.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) woolen—worshipful—disqualification

disatisfactory—dissect—disruption

## Kowloon Club Narrowly Beat Happy Valley

The annual meeting between the Kowloon Golf Club and the Happy Valley team played on the Kowloon Course resulted in a narrow victory for Kowloon by 16½ to 15 points. The issue was in doubt to the last game, which was decided on the 18th Green. Details are as follows:

Kowloon	Happy Valley
W. R. K. Collins 1½	W. J. S. Key 1
E. F. Fincher 1½	L. Goldmann 1
A. J. Dennis 1½	A. McKellar 1
W. S. Illier 1½	W. Sharp 1
A. Eastman 1½	J. W. Macdonald 1
W. V. Ahern 1½	A. D. Humphreys 1
W. G. Simpson 1½	D. Forbes 1½
F. C. Barry 1½	W. F. Barnes 1½
D. Thompson 1½	D. Humphreys 1½
G. Milne 1	T. Low 1
G. P. Murphy 1	J. A. R. Selby 1½
D. J. N. Anderson 1	F. E. Booker 1
A. Davies 1	C. E. Willerton 1½
C. F. Fincher 1	G. T. May 1
W. Bastin 1	N. J. Booker 1

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D. J. N. Anderson 1	F. E. Booker 1
A. Davies 1	C. E. Willerton 1½
C. F. Fincher 1	G. T. May 1
W. Bastin 1	N. J. Booker 1

## SOFTBALL MATCHES AT EASTER

The following were the results of softball matches played over the week-end:

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Wildcats 4	Girls' Championship 4
HK & Shanghai Bank received a walk-over from Ewo.	Inter-Hong League 4
China 14	HK & Electric 13
(played under protest)	YESTERDAY
China 8	Men's International 8
(played under protest)	China 8
China received walk-over from Britain.	Girls' International 8
Philippines 8	Portugal 8
Standard Oil Co. 9	Inter-Hong League 9
Catholic Y.M.A. 12	Junior League 12
(played under protest)	Tigers 10

## Armstrong Sails For England

New York, Apr. 8.  
Henry Armstrong, negro holder of the world welter and lightweight titles, sailed for England to-day with the object of defending his welterweight title in London against the British champion, Ernie Roderick, of Liverpool.

Armstrong's share of the purse is reported to be in the neighbourhood of £10,000.—Reuter.

## SPORT ADVTS

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 22nd April, 1939 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shau Kwong Road.

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## Blouses and Skirts for Evening



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PARIS.  
YOU must pardon me if I go back to evening frocks again, but these are playing what is the most dramatic part in the dress shows.

One famous dressmaker who presented her collection to-day ignored crinolines altogether—that was the first surprise. She then proceeded to introduce a Nell Gwynne line, which is new and very becoming.

THE Nell Gwynne frocks have closely-fitting bodices of silk with tiny flared basques, and are worn over very wide, full lace or chiffon skirts.

Chiffon and lace float mistily through her collection and make the most charming frocks. There was one in misty grey chiffon with a band of pink and of blue at the waistline which would make any quite ordinary girl look lovely.

THEN there are the "blouse and skirt" evening frocks in which long sleeved blouses in softest chiffon are partnered by wide, fully gathered skirts of floral crepe de chine or vividly striped plaid silk.

They are just the kind of outfit smart girls wore for afternoons in the naughty nineties.

VICTORIAN fantasies are legion. Most old-worldish of all, maybe, are the flowers arranged inside very large glass locket plaques and suspended by a chain or ribbon round the neck. They are worn as a rule with floral prints for day or evening, and the flowers in the locket match those in the print.

NOT-SO-YOUNGS, please don't get too worried about all the girly-girly short frocks, because the same famous designer I have already mentioned showed lots of longer daytime ones.

She also had the sweetest dark blue and navy tailored frocks with clever touches of white which would delight equally well the young girl, her maiden aunt and her not-so-slim mother. Long summer coats, too, were cut in the edge-to-edge style we like so much.

A NUMBER of the filmy evening gowns, by the way, though very long, were worn over slips which just covered the knees, so that the legs were revealed from the knee downwards.

AT another house crinoline frocks in muslin and organza were partnered by hooded capelets in heavy silk.

Tailored suits with whale-boned jackets were the novelty at another collection.

### SHORT CUTS

To remove ink spots on the fingers, rub banana peel over them.

Parsley will keep fresh for some time. If placed, dry, in a Mason jar and covered securely.

Add three or four drops of lemon juice to cream that is to be whipped and it will thicken faster.

### MEDICAL RETURNS

#### New Territories Figures For Last Month

Medical treatment both at Shun Chun and Namtau is recorded in the returns of cases of the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch for March.

It will be remembered that, under Government auspices, arrangements were made for the vaccination of refugees and some first aid relief at these points from which the largest influx of Chinese came.

The returns show that 9,572 vaccinations were done in the New Territories last month, 101 at Shun Chun and 826 at Namtau being additional.

In the New Territories there were 4,176 new cases making a total of 10,352 patients with old cases.

Twenty-seven patients were admitted from Kam Tin to hospital, while 72 were admitted from the Haw Par Hospital at Cheung Chau.

It is to be remarked that there were 123 malaria cases at Tsun Wnn and 32 at Kam Tin.

tion over the face for ten minutes, then rinse away with cold water. If the skin feels irritated afterward, apply a very thin film of night cream and finish with more cold water.

In addition, there should be a weekly facial consisting of a thorough cleansing and treatment with herb packs or beauty clay to hasten the results of the corrective measures that you are taking for the oily condition.

Experiment with your skin and see how it responds. You know more about its peculiarities than anyone else. One thing, however, you should give treatment time to show you definitely whether or not they are proper ones for your skin.



Blouse and skirt evening frock. The blouse is of white chiffon and the skirt of multi-coloured floral crepe.

## Do Your Rooms Seem Small?

DO the four walls of your drawing-room seem much too close to each other? The ceiling as if weighing down upon your head? Some rooms are so small that to get an illusion of spaciousness taxes the ingenuity of the cleverest housewife.

Even granted these things, many women are still unable to get rid of that feeling of having little breathing-space, simply because they forget the smaller details and take little care with the arrangement of the room. Few realise, for example, how artfully placed mirrors can completely transform a room.

### A Simple Mirror Arrangement

The simplest arrangement is to hang two mirrors at the same height: find the best positions for them is on opposite walls. The reflection across and across thus obtained creates an illusion of added length.

Margaret Brooke



Ready for Spring is this girl, who provides slacks and skirt outfit of sturdy Sanforised-shrunk denim.

## Strong Soap Best To Clean An Oily Skin

THOROUGH cleanliness is essential if you want a healthy, attractive skin. At the beginning of treatment, the method used will depend to some extent on the present state of your skin. The cleansing process is essentially the same, but there are minor differences. Every skin needs the solvent action of a good cleansing cream and every skin needs the thorough flushing action of good soap and soft, tepid water. Nothing can replace the latter, but the kind of soap used depends on the oiliness or dryness of the skin.

For an excessively oily skin, or one that is much blemished, a strong soap such as tincture of green soap is needed. Since an oily skin usually results from clogged pores, the cleansing process should free the pores of impurities. The circulation should be stimulated and then the skin treated with a strong astringent.

### Apply Cream First

Apply a layer of cleansing cream first and allow it to remain on until the oils have melted and penetrated

the pores, then wipe off the oil with soft tissues or an old linen towel. Use a rough wash cloth or a circular brush for cleansing. Dip the cloth in very hot water and hold it over the face for a minute to open the pores, then rub a layer of green soap well into the skin, scrubbing until the face is quite red.

Rinse away the soap in warm water, then gradually decrease the temperature until it is quite cold. Finish with ice water, or a piece of ice rubbed quickly over the skin to close the pores. It is a good idea to wrap a lump of ice in a piece of silk or a square of cheesecloth to prevent rough edges cutting or scratching the skin.

### Epsom Salts Help

If the skin does not respond to the simple treatment outlined above (followed twice a day), then follow the nightly cleansing with an application of Epsom salts dissolved in dilute water. The proper proportions are one pound of Epsom salts dissolved to one quart of water. The salts will dry up the excess oil and act as an astringent on the skin. Put the solu-

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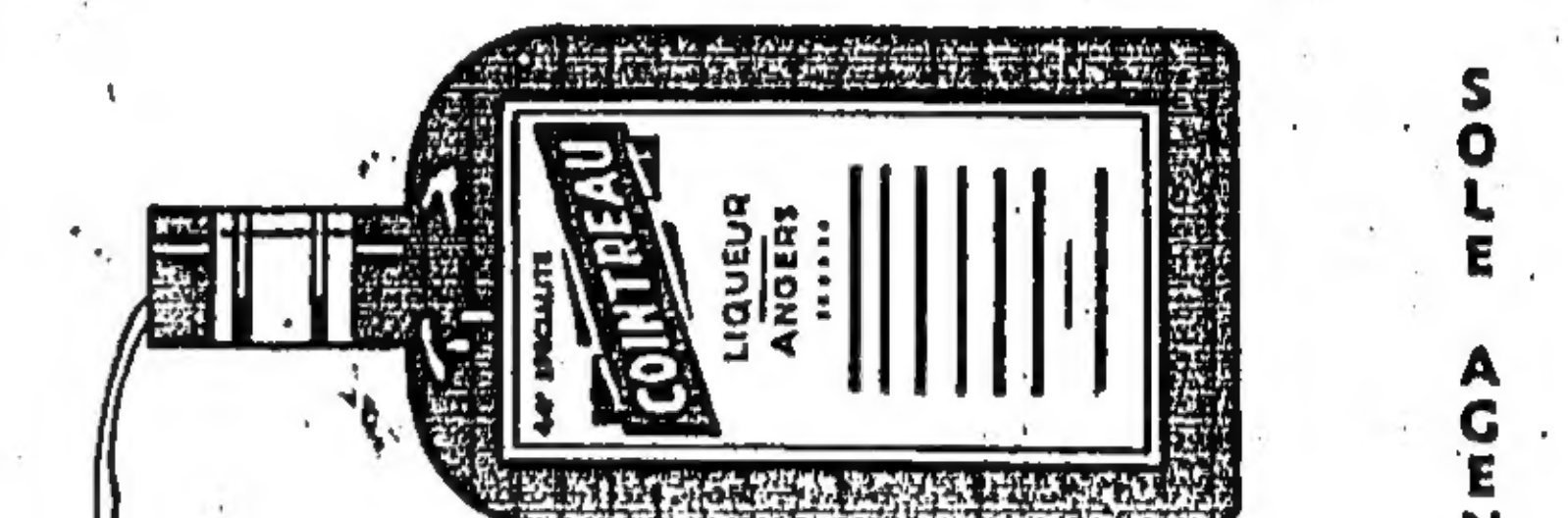
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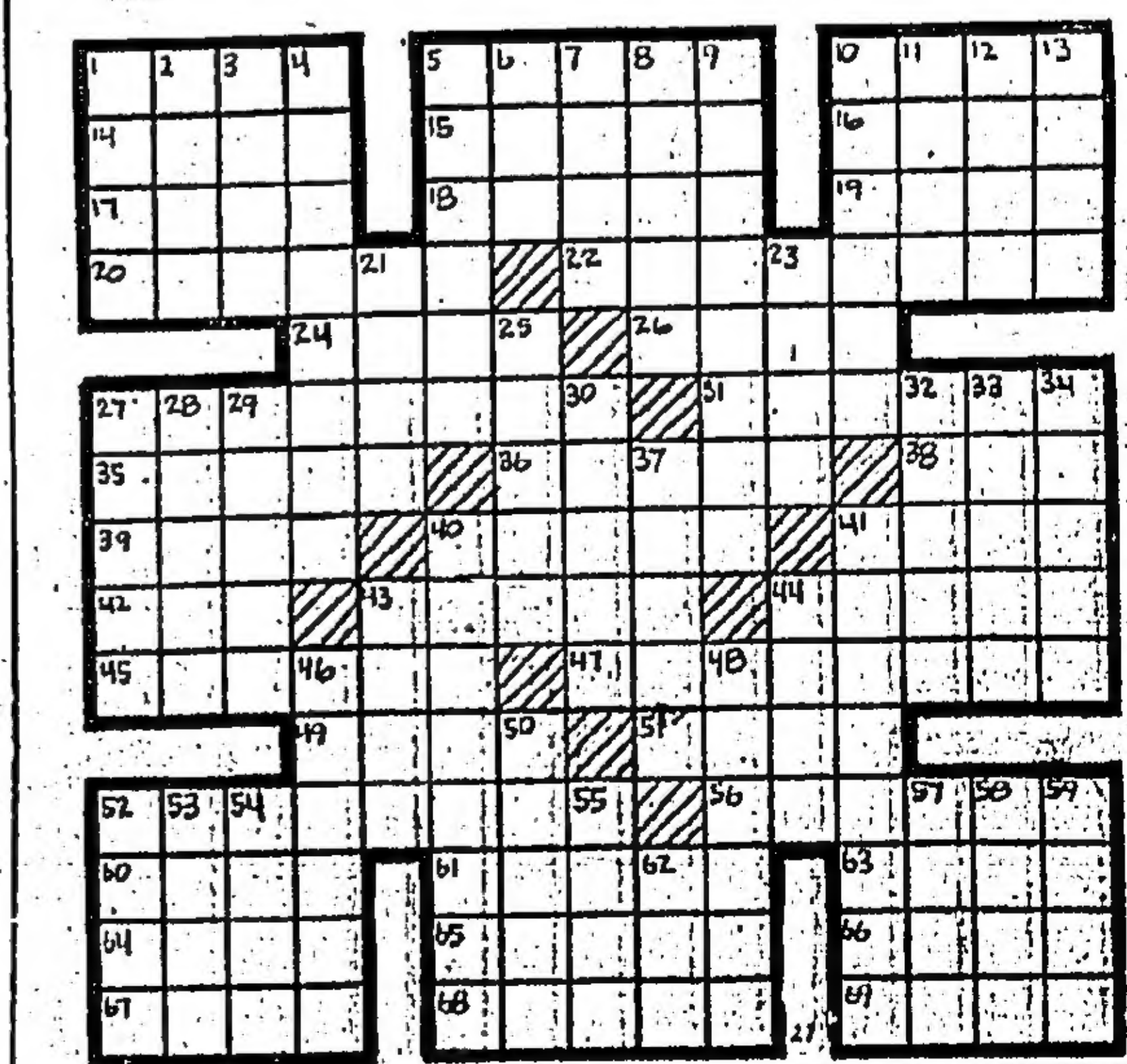
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ACROSS

1—Circular plate  
2—Leather fastenings  
3—Mr. Antonio  
4—Throat  
5—Wine-like  
6—Crisp cream  
7—Crisp vegetable  
8—Transaction  
9—Russet small coin  
10—East Indian cereal  
11—Requirement  
12—Vegetable  
13—One who participates  
14—Semi-precious stone  
15—Gay party  
16—Street church image  
17—Neutral personal pronoun  
18—Is indebted to  
19—Dine like Black Country  
20—Put on  
21—Clus  
22—Lace skull cap  
23—Drunk  
24—Slumberers  
25—Western Indians  
26—Seasoning  
27—Syllable  
28—Bribe  
29—Seed covering  
30—Burmese caravan  
31—Triangular piece of cloth

DOWN

1—Dagger  
2—Combining form  
3—Boat through slowly  
4—Rhythmic dance  
5—Proud life  
6—Number  
7—Precipitation  
8—Boiled  
9—Pierced disguise  
10—First name  
11—Man's name  
12—House in chest  
13—Ludon Gas Indian  
14—Line roof of  
15—Family  
16—Variety of  
17—Nominant  
18—Court seals  
19—Disappearing  
20—Disturbance  
21—Overman philosopher  
22—Come in  
23—Burmese  
24—Australian cuckoo  
25—Mineral substance  
26—Served-side name  
27—Pier  
28—Bird  
29—Thin armor  
30—Spring holiday  
31—Priest  
32—Former times  
33—Vicinity  
34—Cash drawer  
35—Looked fixed  
36—Pier  
37—Lamp  
38—Large plant  
39—Transmit  
40—Devoured



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# LATE NEWS

## Zog Speaks Out

Scolop, Jugo-Slavia, Apr. 9. Shortly before leaving for Florina, King Zog, through a minister of his Court, told the United Press: "War continues in Albania, with our soldiers still holding some important towns. The Albanians are being attacked and are still fighting. They can only attempt to hold their own."

"The Royal Family have no plans beyond Salonika."

"There are in Europe two madmen who are disturbing the entire world—Hitler and Mussolini."

"There are in Europe two 'damned' who sleep—Chamberlain and Daladier."

"If the British ships at Corfu had fired only one shot, none of us would have had to flee."—United Press.

## Anglo-French Concentration

Athens, Apr. 9. British warships have arrived 35 miles north of Corfu, and there are rumours of strong French and British squadrons arriving in Greek waters and Corfu Harbour.

In Athens, it is officially denied that the Albanian royals have arrived in Thessaly from Salonika. They are staying in the Hotel Panathinaion awaiting an improvement in the weather and in Queen Geraldine's condition.—United Press.

## April 20 Seen As Danger-Date

Bucharest, Apr. 9. There is speculation in many circles here regarding the possibility of a swift move by Germany and Italy, following the invasion of Albania.

It is even suggested in quarters friendly to the Axis Powers that on Herr Hitler's birthday on April 20, Germany is putting forward a plan for bringing the whole of the Balkan peninsula into a "federal economic system."

In official circles in Sofia, it is stated that Bulgaria intends to continue to co-operate with other Balkan countries, and help in efforts to preserve peace.

It is added that she will support the slogan "Balkan for the Balkans."

A disturbing aspect of the situation in Macedonia circles with Italian connections, that Italy's next step will be the formation of an autonomous Macedonia, under her protection, for the minorities in Jugo-Slavia, Greece, and Bulgaria.—Reuter.

## Britain To Warn Mussolini?

Paris, Apr. 9. Reliable quarters report that the Franco-British consultations have formed a concrete proposal to guarantee Greek integrity of the island of Corfu and to prevent an Italian attack through British occupation.

It is reported that a defence agreement has been made with Turkey.

It has been learned here that Sir Eric Phipps, British Ambassador to France, has informed the French Premier, Foreign Office and War Office that the British Ambassador to Rome will warn the Italian Foreign Minister in Rome to-morrow that Italy must not attempt a coup de force against Greece.—United Press.

## France Not Satisfied

Paris, Apr. 9. It is stated in authoritative circles that France is not satisfied with the Italian explanations for the occupation of Albania, and it is felt that any attempt on Greece or Corfu would cause a very grave international situation.

It is stated that there is full accord between France and Britain. M. Bonnet was in constant communication yesterday with the French Ambassadors to London and Washington. M. Daladier discussed the situation with Sir Eric Phipps the British Ambassador to France and with M. Bonnet.

It is officially learned that the French Cabinet will meet on Tuesday afternoon.—Reuter.

## Roosevelt Returns

Warm Springs, Apr. 9. President Roosevelt took a special train for Washington to-day.

It is understood that he is frankly concerned over the immediate threats of a world conflict.

The President is scheduled to confer with the Secretary of State on Monday.

"I will return in the autumn, if we don't have war," said the President to a group of friends on the departure platform.—United Press.

## Lightning Attack Feared

London, Apr. 9. British politicians and the military high command to-day held an urgent conference on the grave European situation.

Some quarters here believe there is a possibility of a lightning attack by Germany without a formal declaration of war.

Mr. Chamberlain has arrived from Scotland and spent Sunday studying the ominous reports from the Balkans and Germany.

He has been in almost continuous conference with his Defence Ministers.

A special Cabinet meeting will be called on Monday to discuss Italy's Albanian coup and a possible British pledge to assist in the defence of Greece.

The British Foreign Secretary has been in conference three times to-day with the Italian Charge d'Affaires, Signor Crolla.

He asked Signor Crolla about the disquieting rumours received from the Continent and expressed British disapproval of the Italian occupation of Albania.

It is understood that he has been assured that Italy does not intend to use Albania as a base for attack on other powers.

Lord Halifax also received the Greek Minister.

The Sunday Dispatch asserts that Lord Halifax possesses a report "which supports the theory that the seizure of Albania only being done by the Axis powers, designed to cover an attack planned against Holland."—United Press.

## Balkan Fears

SOFIA, Apr. 9. Balkan diplomatic circles express fears that Italy may pursue her advantages in Albania with a quick drive through Macedonia to Salonika.

It is rumoured in Belgrade that Bulgaria, in response to German pressure, has agreed to line up on the side of the Axis powers. If the Italian-German military adventure extends further in the Balkans.—United Press.

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# Sister-in-Law of Mrs. Chamberlain: Debt Order

A RECEIVING order in bankruptcy has been made, on a creditor's petition, against Mrs. Denise Anne Marie Jose Winterbottom, sister-in-law of Mrs. Neville Chamberlain.

Mrs. Winterbottom is the mother of Miss Valerie Cole, Mrs. Chamberlain's niece, who is now living at No. 10, Downing-street, and will be presented at Court this year.

Miss Cole is Mrs. Winterbottom's daughter by her first marriage, when she was seventeen, to Mr. William Horace de Vere Cole, brother of Mrs. Chamberlain.

WARD IN CHANCERY  
The marriage was dissolved in 1928.

Miss Cole, whose father died in 1930, is a ward in Chancery of the Irish courts, and Mrs. Chamberlain is her guardian.

Mrs. Winterbottom, a granddaughter of Colonel and Lady Ann Dally, married Mr. William Dixon Winterbottom in 1933.

That marriage was dissolved four years later.

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